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SEPTEMBER 3, 1821 TO OCTOBER 1, 1821

[349] In Common Council September 3d 1821

Present The Hon^{l} Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abrah. Valentine
Maltby Gelston	William H Ireland
John Bingham	Benj Crane
Robert M^{c}Queen	Charles Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	W^{m} Thorne
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
	Gerard De Peyster

The Minutes of the last meeting were Read and approved

A Complaint from a number of Masters of Vessels, who are employed in bringing Fire Wood to the City, against John N Johnston one of the Inspectors of Fire Wood and praying that Jacob Lobb may be appointed in his place was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[350] A Petition from the Inhabitants, Proprietors and Lessees of Dominick Street praying that said Street from Varick to Clark Street may be paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

The following Petitions for appointment to the office of Inspector of Fire Wood were presented, read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips. Viz

Jacob Shourt—John Van Norden. C C Myer Thomas Conry Thomas Brown & Abr Vermilyea

A Petition for a Well and a Pump in Mott Street corner of North Street and for One corner of Beach & Varrick Streets were referred to the Aldermen and Assistants of the Wards, and Street Commissioner to report ordinance therefor

A Petition of Albert J Terheun Lessee of Lot N^{o} 517 Bayards East Farm praying permission to assign by Way of Mortgage said Lot to the Manhattan Fire Insurance Company, was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers to grant the request.

[351] A Petition of Edward Hitchcock Lessee of Public Wharves and Slips and Elihu S Bunker was presented, stating that said Edward Hitchcock had assigned the outer Birth at the Pier on the East side

of Fulton Slip as a place for the Steam Boat Enterprize and praying the Corporation to confirm said Asssignment, which was read and the Prayer of the Petitioner granted

A Petition of Thomas Barnum to be appointed Superintendant of the Mud Machine was presented, and referred to the Committee on wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Joseph Husson praying relief from a fine incurred by emptying a privy without legal authority, was read and referred to the Police Committee, with authority to grant the prayer of Petition.

A Petition of Hugh Smith praying payment of Balance due on Contract, for Regulating and Paving Church Street from Canal to Lespenard Street, was read and referred to the Finance Committee

[352] A Petition on behalf of John Jay for permission to construct vaults in front of his Lots on Walker Street, was Read and referred to the Street Commissioner to grant on the usual terms

A Petition from Sundry Owners of Lots on Hudson Street that the side walks may be paved in said Street from Charlton to Spring Street, was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John M^{c}Comb Paver praying payment of a Balance due him for paving Oliver Street, with a certificate from the Street Commissioner, that the same was due to him, was referred to the Finance Committee with authority to direct payment of the same

A Petition of Peter Bertine to be permitted to construct at his own expense a Well and Pump at the junction of the 3rd Avenue and Bowery was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of Ward and Street Commissioner, with authority to grant the request of Petitioner

[353] A Memorial was presented from Cadwallader D Colden Esq. and also a memorial from a number of owners and Inhabitants in the vicinity of the Old Slip, remonstrating against the erection of a new market at the Old Slip, were read and referred to the Market Committee

A Memorial was presented from a number of Inhabitants in Cross Street and its vicinity complaining of the riotous and indecent conduct of a number of disorderly persons on the Sabbath Day in that Street and its vicinity, was read and referred to his Honor the Mayor

A Memorial was presented from Dominick Lynch stating that the Corporation are owners of a small Triangular piece of ground fronting on Collect Street next to Franklin Street, that the memorialist ownes the rear of said Lot and the surrounding pond, and proposing an arrangement for the purchase or sale of the Corporation property or his own, which being read, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Edward Fitzgerald for a Stall N° 32 in the Fly Market and of Dennis Harrigan for a stall in the Grand [354] Street Market, were referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition was received from William Gibbons stating that he is owner by purchase from James Arden of Water Lot on which was erected a pier known as N° 1 on the North River, that a storm last month destroyed said pier, that being about to build a new one he prays to be permitted to extend the same to the West side of West Street, which was referred to the Committee on Wharves, Piers and Slips

A Petition of John M^cGow for remission of fine incurred by selling clams in the market, after being forbidden by the Deputy Clerk of the Market, was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition was received from Robert Dodge stating that he had received from the City Inspector an Ordinance directing him to shut up an Alley between the Baptist Church in Fayettee Street and his own Premises, and remonstrating against [355] the same as contrary to a covenant made with him by the Corporation on closing Fayette Street, was Read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of J Wood to Lease to him Lot N° 1159 on Spring Street of which he is occupant and which is held by the Corporation in virtue of a late Act of the Legislature, as property unclaimed by the Owners, was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition from John Beven, (Baker) for relief from Penalty incurred by offering for sale Bread that was Sour, was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of John Anthon one of the guardians of the infant children of Henry A Coster, deceased, was received stating that he understands there is an application for widening Water Street, by filling in the Water Lots between Catharine Slip and Georges Slip to the extent of 100 feet, he requested that the same may be filled up to the distance of 200 feet, which [356] will be on a line, with the present line of Front Street, which was read and laid on the Table, until the Report of the Committee, to whom the subject of widening Water Street was committed as considered.

A Petition of James Hunt, Wood Inspector, complaining of the District assigned to him as inadequate to his support and requesting an inquiry into the same, was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Richard Thompson praying relief from a fine incurred by throwing vegetables in the Streets was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Anthony L Underhill to be relieved from Interest on a Tax assessed on him in 8th Ward and also for relief from Tax on a Lot assessed to him, but of which he is not the owner, which being read was referred to the Committee on Assessments

[357] A Remonstrance was received from a number of owners and Inhabitants in the vicinity of Peck Slip, objecting against the arrangement proposed in the Law for regulating Fulton Market of setting a part Peck Slip as a stand for Carmen was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Memorial was received from Henry Rutgers Anna Bancker and the Executors of Mr McCrea complaining of the assessment laid on them for opening Lombardy Street, from Clinton to Walnut Street— which was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of the Journeymen Hair Dressers, complaining that they are compelled by their employers to work on the Sabbath and praying relief, was read and referred to the Committee on Laws

A Petition of Mary Cogdill for remission of Penalty incurred by incumbring the Walks with a Table [358] for Sale of Fruit &c, was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Abraham Child for permission to erect an iron Railing along his House, corner of Varick and Walker Street, was referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial was received from Sundry Masons and Master Builders of the City on the subject of the Office of Inspectors of Lime alledging that the same is of no advantage to the Community as to the selection of good and rejection of Bad Lime, but as a Burden and expense, and praying the office may be abolished, was referred to the Special Committee on that subject Viz Alderman Thorp Mann Wyckoff Mr DePeyster Thorn

The Following Person was appointed Fireman the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancy

Fire Engine Company No 42

[359] Edward W Degrove Hatter 298 Water St 4th Ward Vice Abr L Cannady Resigned

The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for a Well and Pump in Allen Street between Broome and De Lancy Street, which was passed and Abraham Dally Francis Peckwell and Benjamin Prince were appointed assessors

He also presented an Assessment for Repaving Rose Street from Pearl to Duane Street which was confirmed and Noah Jarvis was appointed Collector

Also an Assessment for a Drain in James Street for a Drain in Oak Street, and for a Drain in Batavia Street, which was confirmed and John G Betts appointed Collector in each

Also Assessments for regulating Herring Street from Carmine to Christopher Street, for Regulating Jones Street from Herring Street to Ludlows Line, for Regulating Burrows Street from Hudson St. to Ludlows line, and for regulating Commerce Street from Trinity Church line to Herring Street, which were confirmed and John G Betts appointed Collector in each.

[360] The Street Commissioner also reported Delinquents on the assessments for opening Lispenard Street from Church Street to Broad Way, And One for regulating Watts Street from Varick to Sullivan Street whereupon Warrants were ordered to issue to the Collector for Collecting the same

The City Inspector presented Ordinances for correction of Sundry Nuisances which were passed

The City Inspector respectfully reports Two Lot Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances, Viz

N° 1	George Janeway	Cross Street	a Lot
2	Thomas Egenton	Pearl St	do

George Cuming
City Inspector.

The Counsel presented the following Leases

The Counsel in pursuance of instructions from the Street Commissioner has prepared and herewith submits for execution two Leases of Lots sold for assessments—to wit

A Lease to Edward Patterson of [361] a Lot of ground fronting on Mott Street Sold for Twenty Seven years from the 3rd of August 1821

A Lease to John Irving of a Lot of ground fronting on Land intended for a Road or Way to be called Jersey Street sold for Forty years from the 3rd of November 1820

Respectfully Submitted
Ogden Edwards

It being Represented that the Lease executed to E & A Wilson contained the Words "and for other purposes" which was not intended to be included in said Lease, a new Lease agreeably to the intention of the Parties was presented and directed to be executed.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Resolution proposed by Alderman Wyckoff respecting the sale of Coal reported

The Committee on Public offices to whom was referred a Resolution offered by Alderman Wyckoff relative to the sale of Coal

Report, that in their opinion [362] the Ordinance as it now stands is sufficient to embrace the discharging of any coal from vessels. But your Committee do believe the ordinance ought to be so amended as that coal sold from the yards of our City should be measured and would therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsellor be instructed to have the ordinance relative to the measure and sale of Coal; so amended as it shall be necessary for all venders of coal from Yards to have the same Measured, at the time of sale and discharge, from their respective Yards, under a penalty of Five Dollars for every Load sold or discharged without measuring, and that the Measurers shall be entittled to the same fees, as when discharged from a vessel to be paid by Vender

Respectfully Submitted
by the Committee

B Crane Chn
Abr Valentine
Fras Cooper
Wm Thorn

[363] Which was aproved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee, on the account of Judah Hammond Esq late Public Administrator Reported

The Committee to whom was referred the Final Statement. of the late Public Administrator

Respectfully Reports. that they have examined the same, and find it to be perfectly satisfactory and recommend, that it be filed in the Comptrollers office

Respectfully Submitted

Henry J Wyckoff
B Crane
Chas Town
Fras Cooper

which was approved and the account directed to be filed accordingly.

The Committee on assessments, on the Petition of Jacob Stout Jr reported.

The Committee on assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob Stout Jr stating that he had been assessed in the 4th and 5th Wards for personal Tax for the [364] Year 1820, that he had paid the Tax in the 4th Ward, and prays to be relieved from that assessed on him in the 5th

Report that they have given this case an investigation, and find that the Petitioner is a resident of the 5th Ward, and very correctly in the opinion of your Committee assessed there for personal Tax—In 1820 he transacted business in the 4th Ward under the Firm of Stout and Platt, and—on the Books of that Ward, Stout and Platt are assessed and have paid $5 6/100 personal Tax of which sum the petitioner has paid $2 8/100 which your Committee think ought to be deducted from the sum charged on the petitioner in the 5th Ward—The amount of Tax charged the Petitioner in the 5th Ward is $15; from which deduct $2 8/100, will leave a balance of $12 2/100 which amount your Committee are of opinion, ought to be received without Interest, and respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved, that the collector of the arrears of Taxes be instructed to receive from [365] Jacob Stout Jr Twelve Dollars and Twenty Cents, in full for Tax assessed on his personal Property in the 5th Ward for the year 1820

Chas Town Chn
Thomas Bolton
John Bingham
William Thorn

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the petition that Delancy Street Slip May be enlarged and improved Reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom the Petition was referred praying that Delancy Slip may be enlarged and improved

Report that they have examined the situation of Delancey Slip and carefully considered the prayer of the Petitioners and are of opinion that the enlarging and improving said slip will be of great advantage to those in that vicinity

They therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

[366] Resolved that the Slip at the foot of Delancy Street, be enlarged and improved by a pier being built on each side to extend about 120 feet of two piers and two Bridges each, and that said improvement

be made immediately after the first of May next, and that the Street Commissioner be instructed to prepare an ordinance to that effect

Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
Thoˢ S Townsend

The Question being taken, thereon and the board being equally divided, the Mayor gave his vote in the affirmative whereupon the Report was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition for widening Water Street presented a Report which was read—The Petition of John Anthon which was laid on the Table was called up and read

the report of the Committee was in the words following

The Committee on Wharves Piers and [367] Slips, to whom was referred the annexed petition from Several of the owners of the property lying between Catharine and Market Streets

Respectfully Report, that they have personally examined the situation of that part of Water Street, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners is proper and ought to be granted.

They therefore submit the following resolution

Resolved, that Water Street between Catharine and Market Streets be made out to the proper width, and regulated, and also that the proprietors be permitted to sink the Bulkhead, one Hundred feet south of Water Street

Also Resolved that the Street Commissioner be instructed to prepare an ordinance to that effect

Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
Thoˢ S Townsend

Whereupon, the Resolutions proposed by the Committee were adopted

The same Committee on the Petition of Simeon Brown for a Water grant reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips [368] to whom was referred the Petition of Simeon Brown, setting forth that he is Lessee of Certain Houses, and Land of Henry Simmons on Manhattan Island and is desirous of obtaining a Grant for the Water Lot, in front of the said Leased premises—Report, that your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted in case the said Henry Simmons shall neglect or refuse to apply for said grant, and therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolutions

Resolved, that the Comptroller of this Board, give notice to Henry Simmons, that he take a Grant on the usual conditions and reservations of so much of a Water Lot on Manhattan Island as is proper to be granted to him, on or before the first of October next.

Resolved, that if Henry Simmons shall neglect or refuse to comply with the Conditions of the aforesaid resolution, that the grant be made to Simeon Brown

Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
M Gelston

[369] Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition and remonstrance respecting the repa[i]ring of Frankfort Street Reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Morris Shipley and others relative to repairing and regulating the side walks in Frankfort Street from Nassau to Vandewater Street, and likewise the remonstrance of William King and others against the same, respectfully report

That they have carefully examined Frankfort Street from Nassau to Vandewater Street and do not believe it requires the repairs asked for, at present, and likewise a great portion of those who are to pay, have remonstrated against it, they are therefore of opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted and offer the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
George B Thorp
Asa Mann

[370] Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The same Committee on the Petition for paving Pitt Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Lovett and others relative to regulating and paving Pitt Street from Grand to Division Street,

Respectfully Report, that they have examined Pitt Street from Grand to Division Street, and find a large bank of Earth in the said Street and do not believe the public require the regulating, nor paving of the said Street at present, and are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted, and offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant, the prayer of the petitioners

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
George B Thorp
Asa Mann

which was approved and the Resolution agreed to.

[371] The Same Committee on the Petition of Leonard Hoffman reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Leonard Hoffman for permission to erect his buildings on a straight line with Spring Street

Respectfully Report

That they have examined, that part of Spring Street, and could see no objection to the petitioner being permitted to build on a straight line with said Street which would give him in the Center part of his Lot, fronting on Spring Street, about two feet, but he having declined paying for the same as others have done for a like permission, they therefore express their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
George B Thorp
Asa Mann

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[372] The Same Committee, on the petition for paving Washington Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Caleb Brush and others relative to paving Washington Street from Watts to Spring Street

Respectfully Report, that they have examined Washington Street from Watt to Spring Street, and are of opinion that the Public do not require the paving of the said street, at present and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
George B Thorp
Asa Mann

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

Resolved, that the side Walks on the North side of Cherry Street between Pelham & Rutgers Street be repaved and carried out, the full width, and the Gutters laid with flat Stones.

[373] Mr Crane presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be instructed to take the necessary measures to have the side walks in Oliver, (late Fayettee) Street, paved, and that the same be an additional Lien on the property of the Congregation of Sherath Israel

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner cause a backing Piece of Timber to be laid on the Bulkhead from Roosevelt Street to James Street.

Comptrollers Report

Balance in the Treasury Aug 20	6013.44
Received for Streets	6894.66
Rents	5817.22
Tax 8th Ward	4027.75
Justices Courts	851.47
Tavern Licenses	298.90
City Prison Fees	286.12
Fines &c from Sheriff	212.
Wells & Pumps	50.
	$24451.56

[374] 66 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2d "	645.75
Bleakley & Brower do 3d "	414.75
J McComb Street Comr 1 Qr Salary	375.
G Cuming City Insp 1 do	200.
O Edward Counsellor do	100.
W S Smith Collector City Revenue 1 Qr & Expenses	216.
T J Waters Clerk Comptrollers Office 1 Qr	200.
B Skaats Keeper City Hall do	100.
A Brevoort Insp Bread do	73.50
P. Becanon do do	72.
J Varick do do	70.75
W J. Waldron, asst City Inspector 1 Mo	47.25
O Ayres " do	47.25
S Hutchings Street Inspector	54.25
J Pinkney do	54.25
A Ackerman do	54.25
Astin & Cochran Messengers	54.
D H Magee Keeper Potters field	38.75
C Gilman Keeper Battery	34.87
A McCreadey do Park	34.87

A Moodey Dinner for Cadets 25th Aug	294.25
B Skaats Expenses for Corporation 1 Qr	136.57
W H Peckwell taking Census & Jury list 2d Ward	100.
A King do do 3rd	100.
R Strong do do 5th	133.
[375] Samuel Lloyd do do 10th	133.
O Edwards Counsellor for drawing Contracts & Leases	105.
J Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary	187.50
J Hedden do do	187.50
H Abel do do	187.50
G B Rapelye Clerk Police	187.50
R Stevens Asst do do	200.
G. B Raymond for Officers, extra Service Police	224.25
do for do conveying Persons to Bridewell	117.50
do " do do " Penitentiary	77.50
B Skaats to buy fuel for Police Office	100.
R Hatfield Clerk of Sessions 1 Qr Sal	500.
do do to pay Witnesses	22.
B Skaats Crier of Court Sessions 1 Qr	25.
D S Jones Rent Ro[o]m for Justices Court 7 & 10 Wards	31.25
E Frost Clerk of 6 Markets 1 Mo Sal	34.50
G Snethen Sups & Lights Lamps 1 Mo	767.15
N Comstock 20 Casks Oil	640.15
R Provoost repairing Lamps 1 Mo	53.25
D Biggs Work at Lamps 1 Mo	45.75
R Pettigrew for a Well 1st Street	51.66
J Gallagher 1st Inst Well Banker St	42.50
G Charlton do Allen St	41. 7
Jas Jarvis Award for Opening Lispenard St	5000.
J Hammond do do	5800.
Heirs of T Duggan do do	900.
[376] S McCormick do do	600.
Ot[i]s Taft do do	520.
J Laurence & E Anderson do do	450.
Higgins & Parks regs Lombardy from Clinton to Walnut	200.
H Smith Bal pavs Beach St from Chapel to Hud[son]	173.76
do " " Walker fr Chapel to Beach	99.45
J McComb Paver Act pavs Gold St fr Frank[lin] to Ferry	100.
H & W Cochran Acct regs Watts St	100.
W Badeau regulating Willett St	67.30
P Parks Inspecting Paving Sundry Streets	221.51
B Hill for Corporation Lot Cor Wooster & Prince	72.53
S Lockwood filling Ints Washington & Charlton	7.87
J McComb St Comr for repairs Roads	500.
J P Roome Sup Repairs for Engine Houses	500.
	$23928. 1
Balance	$523.55

Adjourned

[377] Special Meeting In Common Council September 10. 1821

Present The Hon[l] Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Tho[s] S Townsend	Abr Valentine
Maltby Gelston	W[m] H Ireland
John Bingham	Benj Crane
Rob[t] M[c]Queen	Cha[s] Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	William Thorn
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Gerard De Peyster
	Henry Mead

His Honor the Mayor informed the Board that he had called this Special Meeting at the request of the Chairman of the Committee of Wharves Piers & Slips, who wished to lay before the Board a statement of the injuries sustained by the Public wharves from the late Gale, and to request their direction thereon

[378] A Report from the Committee of Wharves Piers and Slips, was presented and Read as follows

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips beg leave respectfully to Report That they have examined all the Public Wharves & Piers from Spring Street Basin on the North River to the Battery and from the Battery to the new Alms House, on the East River, and find them in a most deplorable situation—all; with the exception of two or Three more or less Injured, and some almost destroyed,

Your Committee are of the opinion that it will cost this Board at least Ten Thousand Dollars, to put the said wharves in good order again.

And further your Committee begs leave Respectfully to present the following statement which was the result of their inquiries, to wit

1[st] Small Repairs on the wharves at Spring Street Basin

2[d] The Bridge at Canal Street out of order and wants some repairs

3[d] Pier north side of Duane Street Slip not much injured, the Middle Pier [379] almost destroyed, the South Pier wants some small repairs

4[th] Pier at the Foot of Vesey Street, the first Bridge in the opinion of the Committee ought to be made solid, and some repairs to the other part of the pier, the middle Pier very Bad, and wants great repairs, the south pier middling bad, the above piers are known by the name of Washington Slip Piers

5th Wharf at the foot of Dey Street quite Bad

6th Pier at the North side of Albany Basin very bad, occupied by the Corporation and Mr Murray.

7 The Pier No 1 East River, bad and wants considerable Repairs, and the Ferry Stairs removed from its proper place,

8th Pier No 2 Middling bad

9th Pier No 4. not very bad wants some small repairs

10th Pier No 5 wants a little repairing

11th Pier No 6 Middling bad

12th Middle Pier at Coenties Slip, very bad and will cost a large sum to repair

13th Pier No 11 West side of Old Slip a little repair

14th Pier No 12 South Side of old Slip wants [380] some Repairs

15th Pier West side of Fly Market Slip wants some little Repairs

16th Pier East side of Fly Market Slip quite bad, wants considerable Repairs

17th Pier West side of Burling Slip some little Repairs

18th Pier East side of Burling Slip small Repairs

19th Pier East side of Fulton Slip wants some small Repairs

20th Pier West Side of Peck Slip known as Stevens wharf in good order

21st Middle Pier very small repairs

22d Pier East side of Peck Slip small repairs

23d Pier East side of Roosevelt Street small repairs

24th Pier West side of New Slip in good order

25th Pier East side of New Slip small repairs

26th Pier at the foot of Oliver Street small repairs

27th Pier, at the West side of Catharine Slip quite bad,

28th Pier at the East side of Catharine Slip a little repairs

29 Pier, West side of Market Slip wants considerable repairs

30th [381] Pier at the West side of Pike Slip very bad wants considerable repairs

31st Pier at the West side of Rutgers Slip good

32d Walnut Street, wharf very little repairs

33d at Delancey Basin in good order

34th The wharves at the new Alms House not much injured

35th The Mud Machine sunk and received considerable Damage

Your Committee have endeavoured in the foregoing statement to give you, some view of the Damage done by the late storm, and beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved, that the Superintendant of Repairs, cause all the above mentioned wharves and Piers to be put in good repair, and also the mud Machine, under the direction of your Committee of Wharves Piers & Slips

Isaac Emmons
Thoˢ S Townsend
Asa Mann

whereupon the resolution proposed was adopted

A Resolution was presented appointing [382] Thomas Barnum to assist in superintending the repairs to the Public wharves &c as an amendment thereto a resolution was presented in the following words,

Resolved, that the Committee on Wharves, Piers and Slips, be authorised to appoint so many persons, as they shall deem expedient to assist in Superintending the Repairs of the Wharves & Piers damaged by the late Storm, for which they shall receive such compensation as the Committee shall deem just,

The Question being taken thereon it was carried in the affirmative

His Honor the Mayor, stated that application had been made in behalf of J McLaughlin who was detained in the City Prison for Prison Fees.

He had been confined on a charge for assault and Battery, but the prosecution had been withdrawn, and as he was very poor, he was unable to discharge the fees due the Keeper,

Whereupon it was resolved that the Keeper be directed to discharge him without payment of Fees

[383] A petition from William Gibbons. Nehemiah Rogers and Thomas Farmar, was received stating that they were owners of three Water Lots between Marketfield Street, and the Lots formerly owned by James Arden fronting upon Washington Street That the late Storm has washed away the bulkhead and rendered the Street impassable, that by their Contracts they are bound to repair in front of the Lots; but understanding, that in the contemplated repairs to the Battery the Corporation intend to extend the Battery to the West line of Washington Street, they pray that Washington Street, may be ordered to be made its full width agreeably to a former plan of the City,

Whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Jacob Likes for remission of fine incurred for selling as Huckster in the Market without a permit therefor and upon which he was now in confinement, was referred to the Police Committee, with authority to grant relief

Resolved, that the Committee on Public Lands and Places have authority to take such measures, as they may judge necessary [384] for the Preservation of the Trees on the Battery

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed, on the subject of the enlargement and reparations to the Battery,

The President appointed on that Committee Alderman Wyckoff Anthony Gelston Mr Ireland Crane

Adjourned

[385] In Common Council September 17th 1821

Present The Hon[l] Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esq Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Abraham Valentine
Thos S Townsend	Wm H Ireland
Maltby Gelston	Benj Crane
John Bingham	Chas Town
Robt McQ[u]een	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	William Thorn
Isaac Emmons	Francis Cooper
Geo B Thorp	Gerard De Peyster
Judah Hammond	Henry Mead

The Minutes of the preceeding meetings were read and approved

A Memorial was received from the Trustees of the Central Presbyterian Church stating that they have concluded to erect a brick church in Broom Street between Broad Way and Bowery and [386] being now excavating the cellar, they suggest the propriety of constructing a Cistern under the church for the supply of Water for the neighborhood in cases of Fire,

which was read and referred to the Committee on Fire Department

A Complaint from Alexander Fraser and a number of Inhabitants of Oliver Street, against the plaister manufactory of Mr Shonnard in James Street, was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of John Jenkins for relief from fine, for selling meat without license as a Butcher, was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of John Sloan and Robert Ferguson, stating that they had contracted with the Board for the dirt in Thompson Street, which was to be dug out, but that there was a part of said street which Richard Varick claimed and forbid them removing the Dirt, and praying relief

[387] which was referred to the Street Committee,

A Complaint of Sundry Inhabitants of Kings County, against the proprietors of the Team Boat, on Williamsburgh Ferry stating that they demand higher rates for passage of persons and things than is allowed by Law, was read and referred to the Ferry Committee

A Petition of Elbert Anderson and Isaac Lawrence, to be permitted at their own expense to sink a well in Mercer Street.

A Petition from the Inhabitants for a Well corner of Orange and Grand Street,

And for one corner of S[t] Johns Lane and Hubert Street, were severally read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the respective Wards, and Street Commissioner to report Ordinances therefore

A Petition of Jesse Heustis for appointment to the office of Inspector of Firewood, and a Similar Petition from Peter Hatfield [388] were referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Charles Mooney for payment of Balances, due him on contracts for paving S[t] John's Lane and for paving the side walks in Canal Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Wright Carpenter was presented, stating that he is assignee of the Lease executed by the Corporation to John Rose of Lot N[o] 59 Chatham Row that for the purpose of compleating a House he is now erecting on said Lot, he is desirous of borrowing on said lease the sum of $500 and he prays he may be permitted to assign said lease by way of Mortgage to the Manhattan Fire Insurance Company who are willing to loan the same

Whereupon the said petition was referred to the Finance Committee with authority to grant the request

[389] A Petition of Abraham Hart late lessee of Hay Scales at Duane Slip praying to be exonerated from the demand of the Corporation against him for Rent of said Hay S[c]ales, was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of Whitefield Case for remission of Fine recovered against him for not cleaning the Streets, was Read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of M[rs] Adear for return of a Hog, belonging to her, taken up in the Streets was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Timothy Woodruff for permission to construct two vaults in front of his House in Lespenard Street, was referred to the Street Commissioner to grant on the usual terms

A Petition of the owners of Lots fronting on Lespenard Street, for

permission to regulate and pave the same under the direction of the Street Commissioner, was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Isaac Varian for remission [390] of Fine for selling Meat in the lower Fly Market, without a permit therefor was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Dobbs & Hitchcock contractors for Street Manure, complaining of the great loss of time in attending on suits against them for not taking up the dirt from the Streets and praying that an arrangement may be made that upon a complaint being made against them, if the complaint be immediately remidied, that the attorney do not proceed to prosecute, but if not remidied in 12 Hours after the complaint, that a prosecution be then commenced against them, Also praying that fines recovered against them, when the cause of complaint was remidied, may be remitted, was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Complaint of Charles Dobbs Street Contractor against Issachar Cozzens one of the Inspectors of Manure,

Was referred to the Committee on Public offices

[391] A Petition of William Eaton to be appointed Deputy Clerk of the Market, now Erecting at Fulton Slip, was presented and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of James Reeves holding Stall No 25 Catharine Market and Robert Denike holding Stall N° 8 Spring Street Market, praying to be permitted to exchange stalls with each other, was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Sundry Inhabitants residing in Watts Street complaining of Stagnant Water in Several Lots in the vicinity and praying they may be ordered to be filled up was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the Captains of the First District City Watch, stating that the number of twelve substitutes now allowed by Law to said Watch is not sufficient and praying, that they may be encreased to twenty one, was Read.

Upon Motion of Alderman Mann Chairman of the Watch Committee, who stated that the subject had been under the [392] consideration of the Committee, it was Resolved that the Counsel be directed to report an Amendment to the Law respecting the City Watch so as to conform to the request of the Petitioners

A Petition was presented from Messrs Br[l]ossom Smith & Demon, stating that they have Rented the Ship yards lately occupied by M[r] Henry Eckford, and under the impression that Goerck Street

would not be opened until next spring they had contracted to build, and had commenced building a Ship on Ground through which said Street will pass they therefore pray that said Street may not be opened until the Spring, which being read was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition was received from William P Baker and Duncan P Campbell stating that an ordinance has been passed directing the Proprietors of Lots between Catharine and Market Streets to make out the Street, of the [393] width required by Law. that Petitioners are willing on their part to comply with the ordinance, but they are prevented as Robert Macomb, an owner of part of the Lots is Insolvent and unable to pay for the same, they therefore pray the Corporation would undertake the same in conjunction with the other proprietors, as they by Law have a right to do and the expense will remain a Lien on the Property

whereupon the same was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Jesse Hodges for relief from Fine incurred by not placing his name over the door of his Grocery Store, as by Law directed, was referred to the Police Committee with power &c

A Petition of Green and Wilmore and others; of Market Carts encumbring the Street in front of their Houses, was referred to the committee on Public Lands and Places

A Complaint of Sundry Captains of [394] Coasting Vessels, against the conduct of the Superintendant of the Mud Machine, and praying his removal Was referred to the Comittee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Robert Lattimer praying Payment for Work done on the Public Road leading from the 3rd Avenue to Hell Gate Ferry Was referred to the Road Committee

A Petition that Hubert and Collister Streets may be regulated and paved from Hudson to Washington Street and from Beach to Laight Street, was referred to the Street Committee,

The Keeper of the City Prison presented the Monthly report of the Persons confined in said Prison which was directed to be filed, and upon Motion of the Recorder it was resolved, that the Resolution heretofore passed, directing the Keeper of the City Prison or Bridewell to make a Report to the Common [395] Council, once in each Month of the Persons confined therein, be and the same is hereby rescinded

A Report was presented from Townsend Cock, Inspector of Beams Weights and Measures of the Beams Weights and Measures Inspected by him, from the commencement of his duties to the 5th Inst, which was directed to be referred to the Committee on Public offices

A Letter was received from the City Chamberlain, on the subject of the account of Edward McLaughlin late Commissioner of Excise, which was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition from Sundry Inhabitants praying that the Law regulating the sale of Hay may be so amended as to compel persons bringing pressed Hay in Bundles, for sale, to have the same Weighed by the persons appointed for the W[e]ighing of Hay, and to sell the same by Weight, was referred to the Committee on Laws

[396] A Note was received from William S Johnson Esqr, Enclosing an extract of a Letter from the Counsel at Albany which stated, "that the Supreme Court have Confirmed the report of the Commissioners in the case of White Street," "The case relating to the Commissioner of Excise Licenses was not decided"

The following Persons were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Engine No 31

John Van Winkle Carpenter 33 Provost St 5th Ward Vice Cornelius McLean Resigned

No 41

Benjamin Hunter Book Binder 512 Grand St 10th Wd Vice Robert Whitson Expelled

The Assistant Street Commissioner presented the following assessments Viz

For a Well and Pump in Allen Street near Delancey Street.

And for a Well and Pump in Banker Street between Pike and Rutgers Streets.

which were confirmed and Morris De Camp was appointed Collector in each.

[397] He also presented the following ordinances which were passed, and the following assessors appointed Viz

For Paving Dominick Street from Varick to Clark Street, and Abraham Dally, Isaac Kip and John Brown[er] Assessors.

For a Well and Pump near Beach Street, and Arthur Burtis, John Brower, and John Bedient were appointed assessors,

For a Well and Pump in Mott Street between Prince and Bleecker Streets, and Isaac Kip, John Brown[er] and Benjamin Prince Assessors

Also for a Well and Pump in Broome Street near Mercer Street, and Isaac Kip John Bedient and John Brower Assessors

Also for a Well and Pump in Pitt Street between Grand and

Broome Street, and James Bleecker John Targee and John Salisbury were appointed assessors

The City Inspector reported that serious Nuisances existed on a vacant Lot on Watts Street near Sullivan Street, and on a Lot on Mott Street between Broom and Spring Street, which from the circumstances attending the ownership he recommended should be corrected at the Public [398] expense, and the charges therof remain a Lien on the Lots, which was approved and he was directed to cause the same to be done

The City Inspector presented the following Ordinances for the Correction of Nuisances, which were passed, Viz

No 1	A L Stewart	Owner	Watts Street	A Lot
2	G L Thompson	do	do	do
3	S P Lemoine	do	do	do
4	S Miller	do	Water & Roosevelt	do
5	R Byrne	do	Franklin	do
6	Jno Shepherd	do	Canal	do
7	Wm Westerfield	do	do	do
8	J McLaughlin	Occupant	Banker	do

George Cuming
City Inspector

The Comptroller presented a Report stating he had examined the account of the Attorney for Three Months to the 1st Instant. The Balance due the Corporation $12 $^{35}/_{100}$ was paid to the Treasurer on the 11th Instant

An account of J Wyman late [399] clerk of the Sessions, was presented and referred to the Finance Committee

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Dominick Lynch, respecting the opening of White Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Dominick Lynch relative to the opening of White Street from Elm to Orange Street,

Respectfully Report, that conformably to the resolution passed by this Board on the 13th of November last agreeing to accept from Dominick Lynch a cession of so much ground through his premises, as may be required for opening and extending White Street from Elm to Orange Street and the said Dominick Lynch did by deed bearing date the 23d of November 1820 (and which is now deposited in the Comptroller's Office) convey to this Board all the ground owned by him which was required for opening the said street, and that in pursuance of a resolution of this Board passed the 8th Day of January 1821 application was made by the Counsel [400] of

the Board, to complete the opening of White Street from Collect to Orange Street, and the estimate of assessment was confirmed by the Supreme Court and your Committee further report that they have examined in the Comptrollers office the deed of Cession, with a Map annexed, dated the 16th May 1808 from this Board to the State of New York for the ground on which the arsenal is erected, and there is no grant of White Street, but on the contrary the Street is laid open on the said Map, and the two blocks conveyed in the deed are described as bounded by White Street, which has been enclosed within the arsenal fence merely by sufference

And your Committee being of opinion that this Board is bound by their resolution of the 13th of November last to open White Street from Elm to Collect simultaneously with the opening from Collect to Orange Street, and therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner [401] be Authorized to open White Street from Elm to Collect Street by the first day of April next

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the petition for paving Dominick Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Simeon Redfield and Others on the subject of paving Dominick Street from Varick to Clark Streets

Respectfully Report, That they have examined Dominick Street from Varick to Clark Street, and find the statement made by the Petitioners, to be correct and therefore are of opinion that *that* the said Street ought to be paved and the side Walks laid,

And offer the following resolution

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be authorized to have Dominick Street from Varick to Clark Street [402] Paved and the Side Walks laid with brick or flagging

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved the resolution adopted, and an Ordinance agreeably thereto reported by the Assistant Street Commissioner was passed.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Abraham Childs reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Childs for permission to put a railing along side of his House in Walker Street Respectfully Report

That they have examined Walker Street [at] the Corner of Varick Street and find the side walk sufficiently wide, to admit the said railing without any inconvenience to the Public, and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Abraham Childs have permission to erect a railing [403] not to exceed three feet along side of his House, the corner of Walker and Varick Street under the direction of the Street Commissioner

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition for paving Hudson Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Nichols and others relative to flagging the side Walks in Hudson Street from Spring to Charlton Street

Respectfully Report. that they have examined Hudson Street from Spring to Charlton Street, and find the side Walks in good order excepting a small part of it between Spring and Vandam Streets, and therefore offer their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner [404] be authorised to have the side walks in Hudson Street from Spring to Vandam Street, such as are not paved, laid with brick or flagging

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Whaves Piers and Slips on the Petition of William Gibbons reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the petition of William Gibbons for permission to sink and build a pier on his Water Lot, and in front thereof so as to include West Street

Report, that on examining the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York Entitled "an Act to reduce several Laws relating particularly to the City of New York, into one Act passed 9th April 1813" by which [405] it is specially provided, that the Streets or Wharves shall be made and completed by and at the expense of proprietors of land adjoining and nearest and opposite to the said Streets and Whaves &c by certain days for that purpose to be appointed by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty &c" and shall also at their own expense, fill up the several spaces between their said Lots and the Street, and on so doing become the owners of such intermediate space of ground in fee simple

Your Committee are of opinion, that the petitioner's request is reasonable and proper, and in conformity with the aforesaid act and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that William Gibbons be permitted to extend pier N° 1 in front of his Water Lot on the North River, to the westerly side of West Street and that he complete the same, on or before the first of December next on the usual terms and conditions

All which is respectfully submitted

Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
I agree to the resolution
J Hammond
Thos S Townsend

[406] which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of William Gibbons and others reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the petition of William Gibbons and others praying, that they may have permission to give Washington Street its full width from pier N° 1 on the North River, beg leave to Report that your Committee have examined the same and are of the opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved, that so much of the petition as goes to give Washington Street its full width be granted on the usual conditions

Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
J Hammond
Thos S Townsend

which was approved and the resolution adopted

[407] The Finance Committee to whom was referred, the Letter of the Chamberlain, on the subject of a Balance of Tax collected in the 8th Ward, but unpaid by the collector reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the City Chamberlain stating that in the Settlement of the Taxes for the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty with the Collector of the Eighth Ward, he finds that there is a balance of twelve Hundred and fifty three dollars, twenty Seven Cents remaining unpaid and unaccounted for, which balance is represented to have been received by Robert Murden the late Collector of that Ward, and the fact capable of being substantiated by statements in the possession of the present collector, and other vouche[r]s to which access can be had, and the Committee having had a conference with the present collector of that Ward are of opinion that the said facts can be substantiated

The following resolution is recommended,

[408] Resolved, that the necessary measures be immediately adopted, for the Collection of the said Sum of twelve hundred fifty three Dollars twenty seven cents, so unaccounted for and that the legal representatives of Robert Murden, and also his sureties be immediately called upon for the payment of the said unsettled balance by the proper officer and in case of nonpayment, that the Bonds of the said Robert Murden and his sureties be immediately put in suit

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Chas Town
B Crane
Fras Cooper

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the petition of John McComb. reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of John McComb seeking payment of the [409] balance due to him for paving Oliver Street in the year of our Lord 1820

Respectfully Report that there is due to the Memorialist two Hundred and Eighty five dollars, and twenty five Cents for paving Oliver Street aforesaid; that the whole of the assessment has been collected and paid into the Treasury except that part due on the property of the Baptist Church: Doctor Simers, and the Congregation of

Sheareth Israel; and which will not be collected within such time as it would be reasonable to require the memorialist to wait

The following Resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the above mentioned Sum of Two Hundred Eighty five Dollars twenty five Cents be paid to John M^cComb, being the balance due him for paving Oliver Street

Respectfully Submitted

Judah Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha^s Town
B Crane
Fras Cooper

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[410] The Same Committee on the Petition of Frederick Youmans and John Williams reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Frederick Youmans and John Williams, the Contractors for filling up Canal Street basin, seeking compensation for Waste Earth and leakage on account of alledged defects in the Trunk of the Sewer extended through the basin.

Respectfully Report, that the memorialists were allowed and paid for fifteen hundred Loads of Earth, by the Street Commissioner, for the same matter complained of in their memorial, in the Settlement of their accounts under their contract for filling the Basin, which in the opinion of the Street Commissioner, and also in the opinion of the Committee is a liberal allowance for the loss complained of.

The following Resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the prayer of [411] the petitioners ought not to be granted

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha^s Town
B Crane
Fra^s Cooper

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Hugh Smith reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Hugh Smith stating that a balance was due him for paving Church

Street from Canal to Lispenard Street, and had been due to him about Two years

Respectfully Report, that there is a balance of One Hundred and Thirty Dollars due to the memorialist for paving the above mentioned Street, and they recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that the above mentioned One Hundred and thirty Dollars [412] be paid to the said Memorialist

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Charles Town
B Crane
Fra[s] Cooper

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Philip Baxter reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Philip Baxter, seeking remuneration for a two story house, which had been removed on account of opening Mercer Street

Respectfully report, that whatever interest M[r] Baxter might have had in the premises in question, the fee thereof seems to have been in the heirs of Thomas Duggan—The Property in question was sold for Taxes on the eighteenth day of April in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & twenty for the sum of $25.9 and on [413] the *the* 28[th] October following the whole of the Lot was taken to open Mercer Street to Canal Street, and the sum of Three Thousand One Hundred and Ninety two Dollars and Seventy five Cents was awarded therefor to the heirs of Thomas Duggan the said heirs having previously paid an assessment on the said property of Four Hundred nineteen Dollars ten Cents

The Committee are therefore of Opinion that M[r] Baxter has no claim against the Corporation

The following Resolution is submitted

Resolved, that the prayer of the memorialist ought not to be granted

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha[s] Town
B Crane
Fra[s] Cooper

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of John Moore Reported

The Finance Committee to whom [414] was referred the memorial of John Moore for a Lease of the Engine house No 8 in Chatham Street near the Jail

Respectfully Report, that they have examined the premises and are of opinion that the lease will be beneficial to the public they therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved, that a Lease be executed to John Moore for the Engine House known by number Eight situated in Chatham Street near the Jail, at the annual Rent of Two Hundred Dollars, to be paid in four Quarterly payments, and that the lease be for a term to continue until the said premises be wanted for public purposes, not exceeding twenty one years, and be subject to the payment of all Taxes, assessments and the making repairs

Respectfully submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
C Town
B Crane
F Cooper

[415] Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of John Wood reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of John Wood, stating that he had been the occupant of Lot number 1159 situated in Spring Street, that he had built a stable on the Lot, and praying leave to remove it, or that the Common Council would grant him a lease thereof for such time and for such rent as might be expedient and equitable

Respectfully Report, that the Lot in question is one of those Lots, which having no apparent owner are by Law granted to the Mayor Alderman and Commonalty of the City of New York until the true proprietor shall appear, that the memorialist having obtained possession of this Lot refused to surrender up the possession thereof to the Corporation and an action of ejectment was prosecuted against him, in behalf of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in order to obtain the possession of the said Lot, in which suit Judgment was in favour [416] of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty against the said Memorialist, the costs of which suit your Committee are informed have not been paid by the said Memorialist or any other person on his account and are still due from him.

The Committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the memorialist ought not to be granted unless the costs of the suit aforesaid be first paid.

The following Resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the costs of the aforesaid suit, being first paid by the memorialist the finance Committee have power to negociate the terms of a Lease with him of the premises aforesaid and that he be allowed two Weeks in which to pay the said costs and that if he fails to pay the same, that then the Finance Committee be empowered to Lease the said premises to any other person upon the conditions heretofore settled by the Common Council, for the Leasing of the Lands in Question

Resolved that the clerk be requested to furnish John Wood with a Copy of the foregoing Report and Resolution.

[417] Respectfully Submitted.

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Chas Town
B Crane
Fras Cooper

which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of James Lowerre reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of James Lowerree respecting the Canal Street Basin

Respectfully Report, that Mr Lowerree is desirous of obtaining a Lease of the newly made ground called Canal Street Basin for the period of Seven Years with the right of renewal for another term of Seven Years, at such a rent as may be agreed on by and between the parties and as may be just and equitable, the right of renewal to be on Condition that the ground be not wanted for public purposes

The Committee recommend the following resolution

[418] Resolved that a Lease be executed to James Lowerree for so much of the newly made ground, (Commonly called) Canal Street Basin as will remain after the requisite reservation for Canal Street passing through the same for the term of Seven Years, at the Annual Rent of Eight Hundred Dollars payable in Quarter yearly payments with the right of one renewal for Seven years longer, provided it be not wanted for public purposes, at such rent as may be just and equitable, and as may be agreed on by and between the parties, subject

always to the usual covenants, to do all repairs, and to pay all taxes and assessments at his own proper cost

Resolved that in the event of James Lowerre, not executing the Lease upon the foregoing terms, the Finance Committee be and they are hereby authorised to Lease the same premises at public auction for the purposes and on the conditions above mentioned

Respectfully Submitted

J. Hammond
[419] Henry J Wyckoff
Charles Town
B Crane
Fra^{s} Cooper

which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of James Whelpley reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of James Whelpley, respecting the rooms occupied by the Justices Court for the 1st 2^{d} & 3^{d} Wards

Respectfully Report, that in the opinion of the Committee, the rent of the said Rooms ought to be One Hundred and twenty five Dollars a year

The following Resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the Rent to be allowed for the use and occupation of the Rooms usued by the Justices Court of the First Second and Third Wards of the City of New York, be one Hundred and twenty five Dollars for one year commencing on the first day of May last

[420] Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha^{s} Town
B Crane
Fra^{s} Cooper

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Dominick Lynch, reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of Dominick Lynch offering to purchase a small triangular piece of ground fronting on Collect Street near Franklin Street, containing less than Five Hundred superficial square feet

Respectfully Report, that the piece of ground in question is so small that it cannot be appropriated to any useful purpose, but as it lies in front of M[r] Lynch's land, it will be serviceable to him, and although the Committee are decidedly of opinion that selling the public Land is injurious, inasmuch as it tends to dry up the sources [421] of Public Revenue and thereby diminish the public Credit, yet for the reasons above mentioned the Committee are of opinion that this piece of Ground ought to be sold to M[r] Lynch

The following resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the above mentioned piece of ground be sold in fee simple to Dominick Lynch for the sum of Three Hundred Dollars

Respectfully submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha[s] Town
B Crane
Fra[s] Cooper

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee, to whom were referred the Petition and Remonstrance on the Subject of extending and widening Beekman Street presented the following Report

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred a petition to have Beekman Street extended and widened, also [422] a Remonstrance against the same

Report, that they have had the same under consideration, and after the most mature deliberation and reflection, are of opinion that it is inexpedient to interfere with the Commissioners and would therefore beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following Resolution, Viz

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to interfere with the Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court, for the improvement of Beekman Street, by extending the same, inasmuch as your Committee believe they are supreme until their Report be made, and beyond the control of this Board

Respectfully Submitted

B Crane
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha[s] Town

The Question being taken on agreeing to the same it passed in the negative

The Committee on Assessments [423] on the petition of Anthony L Underhill, reported

The Committee on assessments to whom was referred the petition of Anthony L Underhill, in which he states, that he has been called to pay a Tax on Five Lots of ground in the Eighth Ward for the Year 1820 with Interest at 14 per Cent from the 27th September last that he does not own but four of the Lots and never was called upon by the Ward Collector for the Tax, but being aware of the additional expense if the Tax was not paid before the Book was returned, he called on the Collector of the Eight Ward for that purpose, and was informed by him, that his (the petitioners) name did not appear on the Books, and that the Lots were assessed in the name of some other person. The Petitioner concluded with praying that he may be allowed to pay the Tax on Four Lots without Interest

Report, that they have had the Petitioners case under consideration, and are of opinion that his request ought to be granted, and for [424] that purpose respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved, That the Collector of Arrears of Taxes be instructed to receive from Anthony L Underhill the Tax on his four Lots of ground in Christopher Street in the 8th Ward for the Year 1820 without Interest

Chas Town Ch
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Henry Rutgers Anna Bancker and the executors of Mrs McCrea reported

The Committee on assessments, to whom was referred the Memorial of Richard Riker and others, setting forth, that they conceived themselves aggrieved by an assessment, which has been laid on them for the opening of Lombardy Street from [425] Clinton to Walnut Street, and pray that the Assessment complained of may be reconsidered

Report, That they have given this case an investigation, and find that the assessment for opening Lombardy Street from Clinton to Walnut Street, was confirmed on the 6th of August last, and that more than a fou[r]th part has already been collected, they are ther[e]fore of opinion that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

And respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Chas Town Chn
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee on the Petition of Edward Fitzgerald reported

The Petition of Edward Fitzgerald praying *praying* to be licensed as a Butcher, having been referred to the [426] Market Committee, who, having examined the same are of opinion that his qualifications are such as to entitle him to a licence, they therefore recommend the prayer of the petitioner to be granted, and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Edward Fitzgerald be licensed as a Butcher for this City

Henry J Wyckoff
Chas Town
Isaac Emmons
Thos S Townsend

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

Alderman Hammond presented "a Law to amend the Law, to regulate the removal of filth and dirt from the Streets in the City of New York, which was passed and directed to be published in the papers employed by the Board

Mr Town presented the following Resolution which was passed.

Resolved, that on the completion of any assessment, the amount of which [427] shall exceed Fifty Dollars, it shall be the duty of the Street Commissioner to give Notice in the Newspapers employed by the Corporation that the same is compleated and will remain open at his office for the Inspection of all concerned therein Ten Days, at the expiration of which it will be presented to the Board for Confirmation

Comptroller Reported

Balance in the Treasury 3rd Ins	523.55
Recd for Tax 3. 5. 6. 10 Wards	7728.36
Streets	5164.64
Arrears of Taxes	750.

Justices Courts	591.80
Intestate Estates	173.
Tavern Licenses	112.70
Fines from Attorney	80.81
	$15.124.86

27 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2 do	645.75
Bleakley & Brower do 3 do	414.75
S Allen Mayor 1 Qr Salary 12th Inst	750.
R Smith Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo	43.25
[428] A Burtis taking Census & Jury list 8th Ward	133.
W Benjamin do do 4 do	120.
J Martin Clerk for Hack Hire & other Expenses	70.20
J Curtis do	14.50
J Sidell to pay 8 officers attg at City Hall Aug 25	12.
Mercantile Advertiser 6 Mo Sub. & Advertising Assms	80.
J Farquhar Error in Tax 9th Ward	47.60
Haydock & Jenkins 15 Casks Oil	655.96
R Provoost repairing lamps 1 Mo	54.67
J Whelpley 1 Qr Rent Court Room 1. 2. 3 Ward	31.25
A H Moony Acct Regs Lispenard Street	250.
H & W Cochrane Acct paving Canal & Varick	190.
J Culbert Acct paving Canal St B[roadway] to C[hurch]	200.
J Rice paving sidewalks along College Wall	165.44
J Williamson repairing Sundry Streets	12.
R Pettigrew Acct Well Orange Street	24.70
L Murray Treasr Free School Society	1500.
J P Roome Supt Repairs for Repairs	1142.
do do " repgs Docks	1000.
do do Engine Houses	480.
R Furman Supt Alms House for 3d Avenue	1000.
do do for Alms House	5000.
	$15.039.82
Balance	$85.04

Adjourned

[429] Special Meeting

In Common Council September 28. 1821

Present The Hon[l] Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Abr Valentine
Tho[s] S Townsend	Shive[r]s Parker
Maltby Gelston	William Thorn
John Bingham	Francis Cooper
Isaac Emmons	Gerard De Peyster
George B Thorp	Henry Mead
Judah Hammond	

The Mayor laid before the Board an Invitation from Commodore Stewart commanding the United States Ship Franklin to the Members of the Common Council inviting them to visit the ship this morning at 11 Oclock, and stating that Boats would be ready, at the Battery to convey them on board, which being read, it was Resolved that the said invitation be accepted, and the Board proceeded to the visitation of the said vessel.

[430] In Common Council October 1 1821

Present The Hon[l] Stephen Allen Mayor Pres[t]

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Tho[s] S Townsend	Abr Valentine
Maltby Gelston	W[m] H Ireland
John P Anthony	Benj Crane
Rob[t] M[c]Queen	Cha[s] Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	W[m] Thorn
Ge[o] B Thorp	Fra[s] Cooper
Judah Hammond	Henry Mead

The Minutes of last meeting were read and approved

An Account of Abraham Storms for Building Pier near Crane wharf was presented and referred to the Finance Committee

A Request of Philetus H Woodruff contractor for Carpenters Work *of* [on] the [431] Market erecting at Fulton Slip, for an advance to him of $5000, was referred to the Finance Committee with authority to direct a Warrant to be reported therefor

A request of Mess[rs] Tucker and Woodruff Contractors for the Mason Work of the Market erecting at Fulton Slip for an advance

Sheareth Israel; and which will not be collected within such time as it would be reasonable to require the memorialist to wait

The following Resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the above mentioned Sum of Two Hundred Eighty five Dollars twenty five Cents be paid to John McComb, being the balance due him for paving Oliver Street

Respectfully Submitted

Judah Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Chas Town
B Crane
Fras Cooper

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[410] The Same Committee on the Petition of Frederick Youmans and John Williams reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Frederick Youmans and John Williams, the Contractors for filling up Canal Street basin, seeking compensation for Waste Earth and leakage on account of alledged defects in the Trunk of the Sewer extended through the basin.

Respectfully Report, that the memorialists were allowed and paid for fifteen hundred Loads of Earth, by the Street Commissioner, for the same matter complained of in their memorial, in the Settlement of their accounts under their contract for filling the Basin, which in the opinion of the Street Commissioner, and also in the opinion of the Committee is a liberal allowance for the loss complained of.

The following Resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the prayer of [411] the petitioners ought not to be granted

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Chas Town
B Crane
Fras Cooper

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Hugh Smith reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Hugh Smith stating that a balance was due him for paving Church

Street from Canal to Lispenard Street, and had been due to him about Two years

Respectfully Report, that there is a balance of One Hundred and Thirty Dollars due to the memorialist for paving the above mentioned Street, and they recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that the above mentioned One Hundred and thirty Dollars [412] be paid to the said Memorialist

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Charles Town
B Crane
Fra^{s} Cooper

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Philip Baxter reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Philip Baxter, seeking remuneration for a two story house, which had been removed on account of opening Mercer Street

Respectfully report, that whatever interest M^{r} Baxter might have had in the premises in question, the fee thereof seems to have been in the heirs of Thomas Duggan—The Property in question was sold for Taxes on the eighteenth day of April in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & twenty for the sum of $25.9 and on [413] the *the* 28th October following the whole of the Lot was taken to open Mercer Street to Canal Street, and the sum of Three Thousand One Hundred and Ninety two Dollars and Seventy five Cents was awarded therefor to the heirs of Thomas Duggan the said heirs having previously paid an assessment on the said property of Four Hundred nineteen Dollars ten Cents

The Committee are therefore of Opinion that M^{r} Baxter has no claim against the Corporation

The following Resolution is submitted

Resolved, that the prayer of the memorialist ought not to be granted

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha^{s} Town
B Crane
Fra^{s} Cooper

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

and Division Streets, may be paved, was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition that Goerck Street may be paved from Grand to De Lancey Street [437] was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition for a Well and Pump on Manhattan Island—at the corner of Lewis and Fourth Street, was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of Ward and Street Commissioner to report an Ordinance therefor.

A Remonstrance from the Inhabitants residing in Chatham Row between the Theatre and Ann Street, against the occupation of that part of the Street by the Hackney Carriages was presented

His Honor the Mayor stated, that from the Authority Vested in him he had already corrected the grievance complained of, but he added, that it was found by experience that some further regulation was necessary in relation to the Drivers, and he accordingly presented a Law to amend a Law to regulate Hackney Coaches and Carriages which was read and Passed.

A Petition from several Inhabitants was received, stating, that a Well was some time since sunk on the Westerly side [438] of Willett Street, the Water of which proves bad, and praying the same may be filled up, and another sunk at the North angle of Rivington and Willett Streets, which was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of 10th Ward and the Street Commissioner

A Petition from several Butchers in the Fly Market, stating they understand the stalls are to be sold in said Market and remonstrating against the same was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Joseph Spencer for further compensation for taking the Census and the Jury list of the Ninth Ward was referred to the Finance Committee,

A Petition of Peter Swan for remission of Penalty for not registering a Dog was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of George Richards to be permitted to put down a drain to connect with the grand Street sewer at the Corner of Grand and Wooster [439] St[r]eets, for the purpose of carrying off the Water and Slops from his Distillery at the Corner of Broome and Grand Street,

Was referred to the Canal Committee with powers &c

A Petition of Samuel Grundy to be paid an account, for the use of Plants and Trees furnished for the Corporation on 25th November 1814, was referred to the Street Commissioner

Upon the Report of the Chief Engineer, the following persons were appointed Fire Wardens of the 10th Ward

Daniel Slocum Grocer, corner Hester & Forsyth 10th Ward
George F Harper Market man 186 Orchard St 10th do
Vice James Bagely Deceased
" Henry Willett Time Expired

The City Inspector presented an ordinance for Correction of Nuisances, which were passed

The City Inspector, respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz

No 1	S N Bayard	Owner	Broome & Green St	A Lot
2	A Sitcher	do	Wooster	do
3	do	do	Grand	do

Geo Cuming City Insp

[440] The Street Commissioner presented the following communication

The Street Commissioner has the honor to inform the Common Council that the Sewer, which was directed to be built in Thompson Street has been completed, and that it now becomes absolutely necessary that the pavement should be extended from the present pavement in Thompson Street to the southerly side of Broome Street; in order that the Water may be properly led into the sewer, otherwise there is a probability that the Water may break up and destroy the upper entrances to the sewer, and also wash a large quantity of gravel into the same.

A Large quantity of Water passes through Thompson Street at certain times, and experience has shown that the present gutter is too shallow, and that it would be requisite to raise the curb stone, and side walk along the pavement, as far as the Corner of Spring Street, for the purpose of forming a deeper gutter,

[441] Should the above meet the ideas of the Board, the Street Commissioner is ready to present an Ordinance for that purpose,

all which is respectfully submitted
John McComb
Street Commissioner

which was approved, and the Ordinance therein proposed, passed

He also presented the following Ordinance which was passed, and the assessors herein after named, appointed Viz for regulating and repaving Fulton Street from the Westerly side of Water Street to the Bulkhead,

also for regulating and Repaving Water Street between Fulton Street and Crane Wharf and for regulating and Repaving Front Street between Fulton Street and Crane Wharf, and James Bleecker, Arthur Burtis and Isaac Kip were appointed assessors in each,

also an Ordinance for paving Lispenard Street from Broad Way to Church Street and John Targee, John Brower and Benjamin Prince were appointed Assessors

[442] The Comptroller reported that the persons employed to take the Census and Jury lists had compleated the same and deposited the Lists of Jurors in his office, That a Book has been prepared to register the whole previous to making out the Ballots,

He added that heretofore the lists of Jurors were given to the Alderman of Each Ward to make such alterations and corrections as they may judge proper,

Whereupon it was resolved that the said Jury lists of Each ward be submitted to the respective Aldermen of the Ward, for the purposes aforesaid.

He also made an abstract of returns made in the City in pursuance of the Act to provide for taking a Census and for other purposes, passed March 16. 1821, which was directed to be published

In the absence of the Counsel and by his direction William S Johnson Esq presented agreeably to the direction [443] of the Board to the Counsel

" A Law to amend a Law, entitled a Law to regulate the Measure and Sale of Coal " and

A Law to amend a Law entitled a Law to regulate the City Watch, which were severally passed

He also presented a Deed to Dominick Lynch of a Triangular Lot of Land on Collect Street, which was directed to be duly executed.

The Finance Committee on the petition of James Lowerre, presented the following resolution, which was adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Mr James Lowerre respecting Canal Street Basin, submit the following Resolution

Resolved, that the ground of the Canal Street Basin, reserving the Street called Canal Street be leased to James Lowerre for Seven Years, at the annual rent of $800 with the right of one renewal for seven years longer, if not wanted for public purposes at such rent as may be agreed upon, and in case they cannot agree, then *[442] the

* Clerk's error in numbering.—ED.

rent to be affixed by three persons, to be indifferently chosen by the parties. the said James Lowerre not to be liable for the repairs of the sewer beyond the amount of Fifty Dollars in any one year, and that the said James Lowerre be required to pay for the ground now in his possession only in exact proportion to the quantity of ground retained by him under his former lease for the said Basin before it was filled up, and which former Lease has been surrendered except as to so much ground as Mr Lowerre had built upon under the old Lease.

The Same Committee on the Petition of William F Baker and Duncan P Campbell reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of William F Baker and Duncan P Campbell respecting the resolution of the Common Council passed on the 3d of September 1821 directing the proprietors of lots laying between Catharine and Market Streets, to make out the Street to the width required by Law and to fill out one Hundred feet from the present face of Water Street

*[443] Respectfully Report, that it appears from the said Memorial that some of the said proprietors are not willing to proceed in the said Work and as your Committee are of opinion that the work will be a matter of Public Utility as well as a private benefit to the Owners, they recommend the following Resolution. Resolved that the Street Commissioner be directed to bring in the usual ordinance in conformity with the aforesaid report, requiring all the Owners & Occupants of said lots to make the said Street called Water Street to the width required by Law, and to fill out One Hundred feet from the Southerly line of Water Street aforesaid, and the same be compleated by the day of

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted & the Street Comr Reported an Ordinance in conformity thereto which was passed — J Hammond, Fras Cooper, Henry J Wyckoff, B Crane

The Committee on Public Offices on the Complaints of Charles Dobbs against Issachar Cozzens one of the Inspectors of Manure Reported

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred a remonstrance from Mr Dobbs as contractor, against Issachar Cozzens an Inspector of Manure,

Respectfully Report, that in their opinion the most effectual way

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

to harmonize, would be for the Contractors [444] to station the Inspectors to boats as they may arrive in rotation, and that the Inspectors should be bound to make an equal distribution of all monies arising from Inspection,

Your Committee would therefore beg leave to offer the following resolutions, Viz

Resolved, that the Contractors of Manure be requested so to station the Inspectors as that an equal proportion of business shall be done by each

Resolved, that whatever monies shall arise from Inspection of Manure, shall be equally divided among the whole number of Inspectors

Respectfully submitted
by the Committee
B Crane Ch
Fra[s] Cooper
Abr Valentine
W[m] Thorn
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[445] The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips on the petition of Rodman Bowne Reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Rodman Bowne praying that this Board, would have the pier on the South Westerly side of Catharine Slip extended Forty or Fifty feet, begs leave most Respectfully to Report,

That your Committee have examined the said pier, and they are of opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner, therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner.

Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
M Gelston
Tho[s] S Townsend

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee on the Petition of Messrs Hitchcock and Dobbs Reported,

[446] The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of William H Hitchcock and Charles Dobbs respecting the removal of Street Manure,

Respectfully report, That they have carefully considered the request made by the Petitioners, and can see no reasons why the Indulgencies should be granted, as there are a number of Complaints respecting the removal of the Street Manure and believe them to be true, and if this request was granted, would make the ordinance of the Corporation a Nullity in itself, and therefore offer their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
Geo B Thorp
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[447] The Same Committee to whom were referred the petition relative to the opening of Goerck Street and also the Petition of Blossom Smith and Demon reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Brown, and Bell and Others relative to opening Goerick Street from Stanton to North Street, and likewise the Petition of Blossom Smith & Demon—on the same subject Respectfully Report.

That they have had the same under Consideration and find Goreieck Street from Stanton to North Street a Public Street, but it having been taken in by Individuals for their own use and benefit, without any Injury to the Public, but now one of the parties petitioning to have it opened the Committee therefore are of opinion it ought to be opened, and offer the following resolution.

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be authorized to open Goereick Street from Stanton to North Street on or before [448] the First of March next

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
Geo B Thorp
Wm H Ireland

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition relative to paving Lispenard Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Wood and others relative to paving Lispenard Street,

Respectfully Report. that they have had the same under Consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be authorised to pave Lispenard Street from Church Street to Broad Way and regulate the side walk

[449] Respectfully submitted

Fra^{s} Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
Ge^{o} B Thorp
W^{m} H Ireland

which was approved and the resolution adopted and the Street Commissioner reported an Ordinance agreeably thereto which was passed

The Same Committee on the petition of Whitefield Case reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Whitefield Case, relative to his being fined for not sweeping, and cleansing the Street, Respectfully Report.

That they have had the same under consideration, and find that he has made a contract with Benjamin Disbrow to sweep and clean a certain District, but not with the Corporation, and are therefore of opinion that they ought not to interfere, and offer the following Resolution,

[450] Resolved, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
Ge^{o} B Thorp
W^{m} H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Police Committee on the petition of John H Remsen reported

The Police Committee to whom the petition of John H Remsen was referred Respectfully Report,

The Petitioner states that in or about April last he became bound at the Police Office in this City in the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars, that Mary Ann Talman should leave this State, and not return within One Year thereafter. That said Mary Ann left the State accordingly and resided in Philadelphia until she was informed by her counsel,

that he had so arranged her banishment that she might return, without incurring a violation [451] of the recognizance. That the said Mary Ann thereupon did return to this City about the first day of July last. That, the Petitioner has received Notice from the Attorney of this Board that his recognizance has become forfeited, and he prays a remission.

In perusing this Petition your Committee were of the opinion that the statement contained therein could not be correct, particularly in relation to the Police Magistrates—It appeared to your Committee that when the Police officers act in their Judicial capacity and decide upon cases of this nature, their decision must be final, and the[y] cannot afterwards discharge the Recognizance before the expiration of the time, nor suffer the Party to return

Having these impressions your Committee addressed the Police Magistrates on this subject and received an answer according fully with the views of your Committee, and denying " that such practice as mentioned in said petition has ever been indulged or tolerated by them in any instance " Thus much your [452] Committee considered themselves bound to state, in answer to the insinuation contained in the Petition of M^{r} Remsen and in justice to the Police officers.

In relation to the petitioners claim for relief your Committee have not received such information as to enable them to pass upon it at present,

They are of the opinion that this is one of those cases, which may with great propriety be left to the sound discretion of the Attorney of this Board and they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved, that the application of John H Remsen be referred to the Attorney of this Board, with authority to settle the same on such terms as the police Committee may direct

Tho^{s} Bolton
M Gelston
Ge^{o} B Thorp
Shivers Parker
Henry Mead

which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

[453] The Committee appointed to Superintend the Improvements at the Battery presented the following

The Committee appointed to Superintend the Improvements at the Battery having viewed the destruction occasioned by the late Gale.

Report, that in order to prevent further loss, which may be occasioned by leaving many parts of the ground at the Battery exposed

(as at present) to the storms of the approaching Winter, It will be highly necessary that a quantity of stone should be procured and so placed as to break the force of the Sea, Your Committee therefore recommend the board to make an appropriation to the amount expressed in the annexed Resolution, In the expenditure of which there will be no loss, as your Committee are of opinion stone will cost very little if any more than Earth, and is much better for the purpose required

Resolved that One Thousand Dollars be placed at the disposal of the Committee to superintend the improvements at the Battery

[454] Respectfully Submitted

Henry J Wyckoff
M Gelston
John P Anthony
Wm H Ireland
B Crane

Which was approved and a Warrant was directed to be reported agreeably to the proposed resolution

The Market Committee on the petition of Jno Jenkings and Isaac Varian reported

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petitions of John Jenkins and Isaac Varian who have incurred penalties for violations of the Market Law, and praying to have them remitted,

Your Committee report that as the conviction of Persons is frequently attended by great trouble and difficulty and as the laws should not be violated with impunity your Committee are of opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted, and therefore offer the following Resolution

[455] Resolved, that it will be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Henry J Wyckoff
M Gelston
Isaac Emmons
Chas Town
Thos S Townsend

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petitions of James Reeves and Robert Denike Jr, Reported

The Petition of James Reeves and Robert Denike Jr Butchers praying permission to exchange stands, having been referred to the Market Committee, who having no objection to the prayer of the petitioners being granted offer the following Resolution

Resolved, that James Reeves be licensed as a Butcher for Stand N° 8 Spring Street Market, and that Robert Denike Jr be licensed for Stand N° 25 Catharine Market

Henry J Wyckoff
M Gelston
Isaac Emmons
[456] Charles Town
Tho^{s} S Townsend

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The same Committee on the Petition and Remonstrance respecting the erection of a Market at Old Slip Reported

The Petition of Sundry Freeholders and Inhabitants residing at Old Slip and its vicinity praying to have a Market erected at said Slip. The remonstrance of other Freeholders and Inhabitants and a memorial from Cadwallader D Colden Esq against granting the prayer of the petitioners, having been severally referred to the Market Committee, who after duly considering the subject beg leave to Report.

That on the removal of Fly Market the Inhabitants of Old Slip and those west of it will be placed so remote from any market as to put them to great inconvenience [457] to obtain their dailey Supplies, your Committee are therefore of opinion that it will be found necessary to erect a market somewhere in the lower part of the City, if so your Committee are decidedly of opinion that it can be done at much less expense when the Fly Market is taken down than at any future period as the materials may be so advantagously used that for a very small sum, a new market may be built whereby a Public Revenue will be derived as well as great convenience afforded to the Inhabitants of that part of the Town—as about Three fourths of the petitioners [are] owners of Real Estate fronting on Old Slip, and a great majority of the Inhabitants who petition for and against the contemplated Market are in favor of having it placed there, and as that will be the most Central situation, your Committee recommend the prayer of the petitioners for a Market to be erected at Old Slip be granted, and therefore offer the following resolutions

Resolved that whenever the Corporation shall deem it expedient to

Remove Fly Market, that part thereof known as the [458] Fish Market be carefully taken down and the Materials removed to the Old Slip

Resolved, that a Market be built at Old Slip between Water and Front Streets, under the direction of the Market Committee, and that such part of the above materials as are suitable be used in the construction thereof

Henry J Wyckoff
M Gelston
Chas Town
Thos S Townsend

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Laws on the Petition of John Wintringham Reported

The Committee on Laws, on the petition of John Wintringham,

Respectfully report, that the[y] could not feel themselves justified in recommending the remission of the penalty incurred by the Petitioner. The ordinance regulating officers fees on distress for Rent, ought to be strictly complied [459] with: and it would set a bad example, and have a pernicous tendency, to remit the penalty in question.

The Committee therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition

R Riker
Thomas Bolton
J Hammond

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The same Committee to whom had been referred the memorials of Journeymen Hair Dressers and Journeymen Bakers, Reported

The Committee on Laws to whom was referred the petition of a number of Journeymen Bakers, that of several Master Bakers, and that of a number of Journeymen Hair Dressers,

Respectfully Report, that the petitioners pray for such alterations in the Laws for the due observance of [460] Sunday, as will prohibit the Labours of Bakers on that day, and of Hair Dressers after Ten Oclock in the morning of that day.

These three Petitions are reported on together as they concern the same subject, and are to be determined on the same principles

The laws prohibiting servile labour on Sunday have uniformly excepted "Works of necessity or charity, and your Committee cannot but deem it inexpedient to pass an Ordinance which would specifically extend the operation of the Bye Law in question, beyond the provisions contained in the Act of the Legislature—The powers granted to the Common Council, by their charter, or by special law ought to be exercised in this respect, as far as the same is applicable and in the spirit of the Act, which governs the State at large—All servile labour on Sunday (works of necessity or charity excepted) being similarly prohibited in the State Law, and City Ordinance, the meaning of the [461] exception must continue to be left to Courts and Juries, who are to be guided in their decisions by the circumstances of the case, and the Spirit and intent of the Law in question

The Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient for this Board to pass any further laws regulating labouring or Working on Sunday, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions

R Riker
Thomas Bolton
J Hammond

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Laws to whom had been referred, the letter of the Attorney of this Board on the subject of the proportion of the Penalties under the Sunday Laws to be paid to informers, presented a Law to amend the Law for the due observance [462] of the first day of the Week, called Sunday which was passed

The Same Committee to whom had been referred the representation of the Street Commissioner in relation to arrears presented a report and an accompanying Law the consideration of which was postponed and directed to be published for the use of the Members

[463] The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Michael M Titus and Others respecting the Weighing of Bundles of Hay and of Abraham Hart presented a Report and an accompanying Ordinance the consideration of which was postponed, and they were directed to be printed for the use of the Members

The Same Committee to whom had been referred a Resolution of the Board of the 9th July last respecting prohibiting Dyers and Scourers from Washing Articles of the Trade at the Public Pumps and from Washing Horses and Carriages in the Streets presented a Report and

a corresponding Ordinance, which was read the consideration postponed and directed to be published for the use of the Members

Alderman Hammond presented a resolution directing the Street Commissioner to take immediate measures for filling up the Ravine in the First Avenue near First Street, which [was] referred to the Road Committee.

[464] Resolved. that the accounts of John W Wyman Esq late Clerk of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and general goal delivery and general Sessions of the peace be referred to the Law Committee with authority to employ counsel, to move the General Sessions of the Peace to open the auditing of the above accounts in order that the Common Council, may be heard on the auditing of the said Accounts

The Comptroller Reported

Balance in the Treasury 17th Sept	$85. 4
Received for Streets	2147.54
do Rents	6031.55
do Commutation Alien Passengers	440.
do Mayoralty Fees	177.
	$8881.13

37 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton 1st District	1002.75
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H Maxwell Dist Attorney 1 Qr Sal 16 Sep	750.
W J Waldron Asst City Inspr 1 Mo do	43.75
O Ayres do do	43.75
S Hutchings Street Inspector do	52.50
J Pinkney do do	52.50
[465] A Ackerman do	52.50
Asten & Cochran Messengers	30.
C Gilman Keeper of Battery	33.75
A McCready do Park	33.75
D H Magee do Potters Field	37.50
E Frost Clerk of Markets Sal	34.
G N Bleecker Compleating Tax Books 1821	350.
J Coffin Taking Census & Jury list 6th Ward	133.
M Oakley do do 7 "	133.
P *Warnaken* [Wanmaker] & R Sickels Services 8 Sundays	16.
Editor American Sub 6 Months	50.
G Snethen Superintendt & Lighting lamps 1 Mo	680.42
J Wallace on Acct Minetto Sewer	800.
do building Sewer in James Street	350.
do do Oak do	100.
do do Batavia do	75.

C Mooney a/c repairing Rose St fr Pearl to Duane.....	100.
H & W Cochrane pavg Intersection Canal & Varick.....	100.
S Bloomfield a/c Chapel St Sewer.....	500.
H & W Cochrane a/c Pavg Hudson Street Canal to Spr[ing].....	300.
J Culbert a/c pavg First St Bowery to 1st Av.....	100.
J Meghan a/c do Harman Street at Chatham Sq.....	100.
C Mooney paving Side Walks Pearl St corpn Prop.....	47.76
do Pavg do in Oliver Street front of Prop of Congregation Sheraeth Israel Lien.....	126.58
J McComb Paver bal pavg Oliver Street.....	285.25
[466] H Smith Balance paving Church St Canal to Lis[penard].....	130.
E W Bridge for Surveys and Maps.....	32.75
H Voorhees a/c well Cherry Street.....	16.87
J McComb Street Com. for repairi[n]g Roads.....	1000.
	$8773.88
Balance	$107.25

Adjourned.

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OF

MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

OCTOBER 15, 1821 TO FEBRUARY 18, 1822

[1] In Common Council October 15 1821

Present The Hon[l] Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abr Valentine
Maltby Gelston	W[m] H Ireland
John P Anthony	Benj Crane
John Bingham	Cha[s] Town
Robert M[c]Queen	William Thorn
Asa Mann	Francis Cooper
Isaac Emmons	Gerard De Peyster
George B Thorp	*Judah Hammond* [Henry B. Mead]
Judah Hammond	

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and approved

A Memorial of Mangle Minthorne, requesting that a Pump, sunk by him in front of his House on the First Avenue may be taken and considered as a Public Pump and be in future repaired by the Public, was referred to the Committee of Repairs with authority

[2] An Invitation from the Church-Council and Congregation of the English Evangelical Lutheran Church to witness the laying the Corner Stone of a church to be erected in Walker Street on the 22[d] Instant at ½ past 3 Oclock P. M. was read and accepted

A Petition of George Janeway praying remission of Penalty and that suit may be discontinued on an Ordinance. directing him to fill in a Lot on West side of Corlears [St.] the Ordinance being now complied with, was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Isaac C Lopez for remission of fine incurred for not registering a Dog was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Adam Dobbs for Stall N[o] 47 Catharine Ma[r]ket, at present occupied by Thomas Place Jr.

Was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition from the Inhabitants of the 9[th] Ward residing in East Bank Street that a Well and Pump, may be sunk in said Street, was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of Ward an[d] Street Commissioner [3] to Report an Ordinance therefor.

A Petition that Mangin Street may be paved between Grand and Broome Street was referred to the Street Committee with powers &c.

A Petition of Job Griffin for relief from Judgment recovered against him on a Complaint for selling Meat from a waggon in the Bowery, was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Ebenezer Burling and George Betts the former clerk of the assistant Justices Courts of the 4th and 6th Wards and the latter clerk of the Court of the 5th and 8th Wards requesting on account of the health of Mr Burling, that they may be permitted to exchange their official situations was read and referred to the Committee on Public offices with authority to grant their request

A Petition from the Inhabitants in the vicinity of Varick and Canal Streets praying that a Watchman may be stationed there was read and referred to the Watch Committee

[4] A Memorial of the Stationers and Booksellers of the City complaining of Pedlars vending Quills in the Streets to the injury of established Traders, was read and referred to the Committee on Laws.

A Petition of James J Neale for Stall No 34 Catharine Market, at present occupied by John Smock was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Greenwich Village requesting that a License as a Butcher in Greenwich Market may be given to Richard Purchase, was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Richard L Walker, stating that some difference had arisen between a Tenant of his. Mr Moses Q Wood and the Street Commissioner, respecting a Brick Cistern in White Hall Street. was presented and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Rufus Gilbert to be licensed as a Butcher, was referred to the Market Committee,

[5] A Memorial from a number of Inhabitants in the vicinity of Fly Market recommending that the removal of the Butchers from the said Market to the New Market at Fulton Street be delayed until the Spring, was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition from John Craft stating that while acting as a Watchman and endeavoring to arrest a Felon, he received from him a Wound, which has for some time disabled him, from working for the support of his Family, and praying some relief was read and referred to the Committee on Charity.

A Petition from John W Wyman late Clerk of the Oyer and Terminer and General Sessions of the Peace, praying for a payment of $2500 in part of his account for the years 1819. 1820 & 1821. was read and referred to the Finance Committee, with authority to grant the request, they taking such a receipt as will secure the right of the Cor-

poration to object against said account from being in any way compromitted.

A Petition of Abraham Schermerhorn for relief from a Personal Tax, he being a [6] resident in Kings County, was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Edward William Maria Benjamin & Henry Laight and Henry Lynch Proprietors of Water Lots fronting on Water Street and extending to South Street praying a diminution of the Quit Rent reserved on said Lots, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Edward W. William Henry Maria and Benjamin Laight stating that each of Petitioners own three Lots of Land at Corlaers Hook between Water and South Street upon which a Quit Rent is reserved, and as they are desirous of selling a part of said Lots they pray that the Rent may be divided and apportioned on said Lots, which being Read, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Casper W Eddy complaining of the Assessment on him for Sewer in Batavia and James Street and praying relief was referred to the Committee on Assessments

[7] A Petition of Henry Leake for Stall N° 10 Spring Street Market, was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of James Wilsie for some appointment under the Corporation was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of Moses Judah to be relieved on account of his pecuniary circumstances from a Personal Tax, was referred to the Committee on Charity

A Petition of Andrew Bache to be appointed a City Weigher, was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of John Vreeland Lessee of the Powder House Lots, praying leave to assign the Lease of the same to Peter Cooper, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of John B Schmelzel for permission to construct a Cistern in the Street, at the Corner of Church and White Street. referred to Alderman and Assistant of Ward and Street Commissioner.

[8] A Petition of Ebenezer Barkley to be relieved from a Personal Tax assessed on him, he being an Artillerist and thereby exempt from the same, was referred to the Committee on Assessments, with authority to grant the request.

A Petition of William C Brooks to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal was read and on Motion the prayer of Pet[it]ion was granted, and he was appointed accordingly

A Petition from the Inhabitants of Greenwich Village praying

that certain Streets in said Village may be paved was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Josiah Purdy praying that a Mistake in the assessment on his House N° 56 Chamber Street, may be corrected was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Clark Street praying that said Street may be paved was referred to the Street Committee

[9] A Petition of John Low for permission to construct a circular Fence in Front of his House on the 10th Avenue to be removed when the Corporation shall direct the same, was referred to the Road Committee with Authority &c

A Petition of George Lorillard praying repayment of the sum of $185.28/100 paid by him as an assessment on a Lot supposed to be owned by him, but which proves to belong to another person, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Samuel Wright for remission of Fine for selling vegetables in Market without a permit, he being ignorant of the Law on the subject, and also requesting a License to sell Vegetables in the Market, was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of George Harsin for appointment of deputy clerk of Fulton Market was referred to the Market Committee

A Memorial was received from Charles Udell a City Measurer stating that [10] having been prosecuted by the Trustees of the Town of Brooklyn Long Island for exercising his office of Measurer at that place, he was directed by the Corporation to defend the suit in order that the right of the Corporation therein might be ascertained—That the suit has lately been determined that the Corporation Right does not extend to the Stores on the Land, but only on the Water—That he has been called upon for the Fine and Costs, and praying relief, whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Public Offices

A Petition from Amos Wood was received stating that some time in May last one John Smith and others presented a Petition to the Corporation, praying for the removal of Petitioner from his stall in Catharine Market, which he occupied as a Butcher chargeing the petitioner therein with certain crimes and misdemeanors that the said petition was referred to the Market Committee, who reported favourably to Petitioner, that some of the signers to said petition have continued their slanders against Petitioner and for the purpose of clearing his reputation he had commenced a [11] Prosecution against them, and praying that he may be furnished with certified Copies of said Petition with the signatures thereto and the proceedings thereon,

Whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Laws

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for a Well and Pump in Cherry Street. A Remonstrance against the said Assessment from Henry Rutgers and others was also presented, whereupon the said Assessment and the Remonstrance were referred to the Committee on Assessments

He also presented an Assessment for Well and Pump in Orange Street opposite Franklyn Street with the objection of Terrence Duffy and Others which had been made to it, which were referred to the Committee on Assessments

He also presented the following ordinances, which were passed, and the following assessors appointed therein Viz

An ordinance for a Well and Pump in Willett Street near Rivington Street, and John Bedient John Brown[er] & Isaac Kip, were appointed Assessors

[12] Also for a Well and Pump in S[t] John's Lane opposite Hubert Street, and John Targee John Bedient and John Salisbury were appointed assessors

Also for paving side Walks in Arundle Street between Grand and Division Streets, and for regulating and paving Hubert Street, from Hudson Street to the Bulkhead and Benjamin Prince, James Bleecker and Francis Peckwell were appointed Assessors.

Also for regulating and paving Goerck Street between Grand and DeLancy Street and Arthur Burtis John Brower and John Bedient were appointed assessors

The Following Persons were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies

Hook and Ladder Company N° 2

Benj[n] D Yates. Smith 241 Cher[r]y Street 7[th] Ward Vice James Taylor resigned

Fire Engine No 6

William J Child. Baker 23 Provost Street 5[th] Ward Vice Sam[l] Frost Resigned

John Phile. Silver Plater 7 Gold Street 2[d] Ward Vice George Martin. Removed out of City

[13] Fire Engine Company N° 8

William Willson. Merchant Taylor 515 Pearl St 6[th] Ward Vice James G Ely Resigned

N° 9

James M[c]Umber Painter 100 Broad Street 1[st] Ward Vice Alexander Walsh Resigned

N° 17

Edmond C Littlewood. Gunsmith 352 Water St 4th Ward Vice James Florantine Resigned

N° 21

Baxter Howe Clerk 74 Fulton Street 2d Ward Vice Peter Nelson Resigned

N° 22

Robert T Hicks. Ship chandler 74 Lombardy St 7th Ward Vice Richard Williams Resigned

N° 26

Daniel S Woodruff Hatter 6 Mott St 6th Ward Vice James Eastwood Resigned

N° 28

Isaac Skatts Carman 71 Wooster St 8th Ward Vice Thos Harrison Resigned

N° 38

John Backus Milkman Bowery near G[r]and St 9th Ward Vice John Horn Deceased

N° 39

William Berrian Grain Merchant Reed corner Hudson 5 ward Vice Smith U Anderson appointed Fire Warden

[14] The City Inspector presented Ordinances for Correction of Nuisances which were passed

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

N° 1	Jn° R Livingston	Owner	Lewis Street	A Lot
2	E Anderson & D Board	do	Charlton	do
3	G Streighthoof	do	Watts	do
4	S Clark	do	Grand	do
5	D Westervelt	do	do	do
6	Wm Honey	do	do	do
7	H G Bogert	do	do	do
8	F Youmans	do	do	do
9	A L Stewart	do	do	do
10	J Halloway	do	do	do
11	Jas Jenkins	do	do	do
12	S Elder	do	do	do
13	W L Clark	Lessee	do	do
14	P Bogert	Owner	Hudson	do
15	S Jones	do	Bond	do
16	J Renwick	Agent	Renwick	do

17	Noah Brown	Owner	Rivington	A Lot
18	Abijah Hammond	do	Wooster	do
19	E Anderson	do	do	do
20	J R Livingston	do	Prince	do
21	Hannah Murray	do	Canal	do
22	Jno Wynans	do	Watts	do
23	A L Stewart	do	do	do
24	[15] A L Stewart	do	do	do
25	Jno Boyd	do	Leonard	do
26	T & G Lovett	do	Green	do
27	G W Burras	do	Mercer	do
28	A Hammond	do	Green	do
29	Jos Moore	do	Mercer	do
30	Wm Seger	Occupant	Water	A Privy
31	C Starkley	do	Essex	do

George Cuming
City Inspector

He also under the rule of the Common Council presented an ordinance directed to John R Livingston Esq to fill in with good and wholesome Earth sunken Lots fronting on Lewis Cannon and Rivington Streets

And also one directed to Elbert Anderson and David Board to fill in sunken Lots fronting on the North side of Charlton Street from Greenwich to Washington Streets which were referred to the Street Committee

The Comptroller reported that on the 23d of August last he wrote to Aaron Ogden Esq enclosing him an account of Rent due from him to amount of $400, that no Answer had been received [16] from him and suggesting whether further proceedings should not be had against him, where upon it was referred to the Finance Committee with authority to direct the Counsel to reenter upon the premises leased to said Ogden

William S Johnson Esq in behalf of the Counsel presented for execution a Lease to Ebenezer and Andrew Wilson for Seven years for land bounded by West Street Washington King and Charlton Streets and also a Lease to James Lowerre for Seven years of land in the Canal Street Basin, which leases were directed to be duly executed.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips on the petition of Joseph Toms for appointment of Inspector of Wood reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph Toms praying to be appointed a Wood Inspector on the Fourth District beg leave respectfully to report

That your Committee have had that subject under their particular

consideration, and finding that all the [17] other Inspectors, on that Slip (Three in number) wish that appointment to be made, your Committee are of the opinion, that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted, therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Joseph Toms be appointed a Wood Inspector on the Fourth District equally with the other Inspectors

Isaac Emmons
J Hammond
M Gelston
Thos S Townsend

which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The Committee on the Fire Department presented the following report

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully represent that Engine N° 5 requires considerable repairs, and that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars can be obtained for the said Engine, your Committee are of Opinion that engine N° 5 ought to be sold and one built by the Superintendant of Repairs for Engine Company N° 5

[18] Respectfully offer the following Resolutions

Resolved, that the Chief Engineer be and is hereby authorized to dispose of Engine N° 5 for a sum not less than Five Hundred Dollars

Resolved, that the Superintendant of Repairs cause an Engine to be built of the usual size for Engine Company N° 5.

Jno P Anthony
M Gelston
Robert McQueen

which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred the proposition for building a Cistern under the Central Presbyterian Church in Broome Street presented a report in favor of building a Cistern the consideration of which was postponed and the Street Commissioner was directed to advertise in the Papers employed by the Board, that said proposal was under the consideration of the Common Council

[19] The Same Committee presented the following Communication

The Committee on the Fire Department respectfully represent, that the Engine House N° 19 requires repairs, and that application has been made for the removal of said House Your Committee not finding a suitable place, said House was permitted to remain, the ground Rent for said house is Twenty Dollars per year

They also represent that Engine House N° 2 is small and requires repairs that the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, require the Engine in Forsyth Street to be removed, and have offered to give a Lease for 25 years to this Board for a piece of ground 22 Feet front and 26 Feet deep on Eldridge Street sufficient to erect a house on for Two Engines if this Board will build a vault for said church your Committee have ascertained, that the building of said Vault will not exceed $175. and the erecting a House for Engines N° 19 & N° 2 will not exceed $600. They are of opinion that the request of the Trustees of said church ought to be complied with and their offer of the ground accepted [20] and a House erected thereon for said Engines

Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved, that the Superintendant of Repairs be and is hereby directed to carry the above recommendation into effect

Jno P Anthony
M Gelston
Robert McQueen

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee on the Petition of George Limbert Junr Reported

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of George Limbert Jr praying to be relieved from the payment of a penalty which has been inflicted on him for a violation of the Market Law

Report, that as the Petitioner deliberately entered into a contract with his employer to violate the above Law, it is to him if to any body, he ought to apply for indemnity.

[21] Your Committee therefore cannot see the propriety of granting his request, and offer the following resolution.

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Henry J Wyckoff
Chas Town
M Gelston
Thos S Townsend.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Commitee to whom was referred the petition to have Hubert and Collister Streets paved reported.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Ezra W Miller and others relative to paving and regulating Hubert Street from Hudson to Washington Streets

Respectfully Report. The Committee have examined said Street and find some part of it paved and are of opinion the whole ought to be done, and therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissr [22] be authorized to pave Hubert from Hudson to Washington Streets and the side Walks regulated

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Hen[r]y J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of John Sloan and Robert Ferguson Reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Sloan and Robert Ferguson relative to a contract made with the Corporation for filling certain Streets

Respectfully Report, that they have carefully considered the application of the Petitioners and find a report made *made* by the Street Committee March 20. 1821 on the same subject, that they be permitted to take all the surplus Earth in Laurence and Thompson Streets excepting [23] 1757 Loads which belongs to the Corporation, and likewise the sum of Forty Dollars, and which sum they have received, the Committee considered this as a final settlement of the aforesaid Contract and therefore offer their opinion in the following Resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Fra^{s} Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Hen[r]y J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Robert Dodge, Reported,

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Robert Dodge relative to the Alley being enclosed in the rear of his Property.

Respectfully Report, that they have carefully considered the application of the petitioner, and find as stated in the petition, that an ordinance was passed [24] August 20. 1821. to have the Alley in Fayette Street between the Baptist church and Robert Dodge enclosed and

cleansed as a nuisance, but the Committee cannot conceive by the passing of the aforesaid ordinance that it was any infringement with the right or priviledge of the petitioner, excepting what the Public Health required, and if any encroachment has been made on the rights of the petitioner his remedy must be elsewhere and not with the Corporation, they therefore offer their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient for the Corporation to interfere respecting the opening the Alley between the Baptist Church and Robert Dodge in Oliver Street

Resolved, that the City Inspector be directed to notice the enclosement of the East End of the aforesaid ally as a nuisance

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

[25] The Same Committee on the Petition for Paving Goerck Street, reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Peter Van Cott and others relative to paving Goerck Street from Grand to Delancy Streets

Respectfully Report, that they have examined Goerck Street from Grand to Delancy Streets, and find it in a very bad condition and are of opinion that it ought to be paved, and the side walks regulated, therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be authorized to have Goerck Street paved from Grand to Delancy Street and the Side Walks regulated

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Tunis Tallman and others [26] Complaining of Stagnant Waters on lots in Watts Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Tunis

Talman and others relative to a Nuisance in the vicinity of Watts and Sullivan Streets

Respectfully Report, that they have made the necessary enquiry in the City Inspectors office respecting said nuisance, and find it duly ordinanced in said office for correction, and therefore offer their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to interfere further in the said nuisance complained of

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition for paving Arundle Street reported

The Street Committee [27] to whom was referred the petition of Cornelius Sharpe and others on the subject of regulating and paving the Side Walks in Arundle Street from Grand to Division Street

Respectfully Report, that they have examined the same, and find it considerably improved and only part of the side Walks laid, and are of opinion the whole ought to be done and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be authorized to have the Side Walks in Arundle Street from Grand to Division Street laid with bricks or flagging

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Charles Lee reported

The Committee on Assessments [28] to whom was referred the petition of Charles Lee, praying that the personal tax imposed on him in the 8th Ward be remitted

Report, that they have given the petitioners case an examination, and from the testimony of some very respectable citizens, together with that given by the Assessors of the 8th Ward your Committee are of

opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted, and for that purpose, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, that the Collector of Arrears of Taxes be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed in the 8th Ward on the personal property of Charles Lee for the year 1820

Chas Town
Wm Thorn
Jno P Anthony
Thos Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Latimer reported

[29] The Road Committee to whom was referred the petition of Robert Latimer praying for compensation for Services rendered on the Hell Gate Road during the Summer of 1818.

Beg leave to Report, that they have Minutely investigated the subject and are of the opinion that although the then Ferry Committee might have improperly justified this measure still the Board are in point of equity bound to bestow some consideration to Mr Latimer, they therefore propose the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed at the next meeting of this Board to prepare a warrant in favour of Robert Latimer for the sum of One Hundred Dollars to be paid him on his receipt in full

Gerard De Peyster
Abr Valentine
J Hammond
Thos S Townsend
Shivers Parker

The Question being taken on agreeing to the same it was carried [30] in the affirmative. the Ayes and Noes being called by Alderman Mann were as follows

Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Wyckoff Townsend Gelston Mc-Queen Hammond Mr Bolton Valentine Ireland Town Parker De Peyster Mead 13

Negative Ald Anthony Bingham Mann Emmons Mr Crane Thorne Cooper 7

Alderman Mann presented the following Resolution. Resolved that the West side of Rutgers Street between Harman and Division Street be carried out to the full width, and Repaved under the direc-

tion of the Street Commissioner which was referred to the Street Committee

Mr Valentine presented the following Resolved that the Committee on Public Lands and Places be authorized to contract [31] for one Hundred, ornimental Trees and to Plant the same in the Park and on the Battery of this City during the ensuing Winter Which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Places, with authority to carry the same into effect

Mr Ireland presented the following, Resolved that a Committee of Five be appointed to enquire into the expediancy of combining in One Person the Offices of Counsel and Attorney, and the Propriety of making the same a Salary office, which was referred to a Special Committee consisting of Mr Ireland Mr Crane Ald Gelston Ald Hammond Ald Mann

Alderman Mann stated, that as the term for which by Law the Superintendant of the Alms House Bridewell and Penitentiary was elected would expire on the first of Novr next, he thought it expedient that the Board should now proceed to elect a Person to fill that Office at the expiration of said Term, and he moved that the Board now proceed to the election, which was agreed to

[32] Whereupon the Board proceeded to elect by ballot the person to fill the office of Superintendant of the Alms House Penitentiary and Bridewell, when upon counting the ballots it appeared that Arthur Burtis was duly Elected

The following Resolution was presented

Resolved that John McComb the present Street Commissioner be removed from office The Question being taken thereon, and the Ayes and Noes having been called by Mr Bolton it was carried in the Affirmative, the Members voting as follows

Affirmative Mr Recorder Aldn Gelston Bingham McQueen Mann Emmons Hammond Mr Ireland Crane Town Parker Thorne Cooper De Peyster Mead 15.

Negative Ald Wyckoff Townsend Anthony Mr Bolton Valentine 5

[33] The Board the[n] proceeded to elect by ballot a person to fill the vacancy, When Rosewell Graves was duly elected to the office of Street Commissioner,

The following Resolution was presented by Mr Crane.

Resolved, that the Salary of the assistant Street Commissioner be reduced from $1350 to One Thousand Dollars, which was adopted

Also Resolved that the Board proceed to appoint by ballot a person to fill the vacancy occasioned by the promotion of Mr R Graves, which was agreed to.

The Board the[n] proceeded by Ballot, to elect a person to fill the office of assistant Street Commissioner when George B Smith was duly elected

Comptroller Reported

Balance in the Treasury 1st Int	107.25
Recd for Rents	7253.19
Streets	5585.23
Vendue Sales	2500.
Tax 1821 6th Ward	1400.
Justices Courts	1149.16
Arrears of Taxes	950.
Market Fees	372.62
[34] Received for Wells & Pumps	315.97
Fines from Sheriff	299. 6
Commutation Alien Passengers	220.
Mayoralty Fees	199.25
Police Office	186.30
Tavern Licenses	171.50
Excise	137.
Fines from Attorney	12.35
Loan of Mechanics Bank Authorized by a Resolution of the Board 27th Nov 1820	16000.
	$36858.88

33 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2d	645.75
Bleakley & Brower do 3d	414.75
Joseph Spencer taking Census & Jury list 9th Ward	133.
Stephen Gould Laws of the State &c	417.50
J Hays & Z Homan attending in Banker St 12 days	48.
T Parker attends at Fly Market 33 days	25.50
R Smith Clerk of Washington Market Salary	43.75
R Provoost Repairing Lamps 1 Month	116.51
H Pennell repairs of Engines 2. 10. 30. 32	20.25
B Prince & others making sundry assessments	388.50
J Culbert Acct pavg Canal Street	350.
J Wallace acct Sewer in James Street	300.
do " do in Oak St	200.
[35] J Culbert Acct pavg 1st Street Bowery to 1st Av	180.
H Smith do " Collect Leonard to Rynder	150.
C Mooney Pavg at Intersection Chamber & Cross	186.12
R Ferguson removing Earth from 1st Avenue	29.50

H Cochrane paving at Duane Market	22.67
Cantine & Leek, Publishing in Albany Argus delinquents of Taxes & Assessments to Redem	31.81
R Pettigrew balance of a Well in 1st Street	51.66
J C[G]allagher do " Banker Street	42.50
G Carlton do " Allen St	41. 7
do Acct of a Well in Sheriff St	18.
J P Roome Superintendt of Repairs for Repairs	1632.
ditto Docks & Slips	1000.
ditto Fire Department	200.
B Birdsall Acct Iron fence round Park	2000.
Tucker & Woodruff *Monson* [Mason] Work for Park fence	2500.
T ditto Acct do Fulton Market	6000.
P Woodruff " Carpenters Work do	5000.
R Furman Superintendant Alms House for 3d Avenue	1000.
ditto do for Alms House	10000.
J W Wyman Late Clerk of Sessions &c on Acct	2500.
	$36691.59
Balance	$167.29

Adjourned

[36] In Common Council October 29th 1821

Present The Honl Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq Recorder

Alderman	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thos S Townsend	Abr Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H Ireland
Jno P Anthony	Benjn Crane
Jno Bingham	Chas Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	Wm Thorn
Geo B Thorp	Fras Cooper
Judah Hammond	Gerard De Peyster
	Henry Mead

The Minutes of last meeting were Read and approved.

A Petition of J. A. Isaac to be appointed to the office of Collector of Arrears of Taxes, was read and referred to the Committee on applications

A Petition in favor of constructing [37] a Cistern under the Center Presbyterian Church in Broome Street, and Two Remonstrances against the same were presented and laid on the Table untill the Report of the Committee on that Subject was considered

A Petition of Edward Weir complaining of an undue Tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of James Campbell for relief from a Personal Tax assessed on him, was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of the Rev[d] William Patton for relief from a Personal Tax assessed on him, he, as a Clergiman being by Law exempt therefrom, was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition that Dominick Street between Varick and Hudson Streets may be regulated and paved,

And a petition that the side walks in Dominick Street may be regulated and paved between Varick and Clark Streets [38] Were Referred to the Street Committee

A Petition from a number of Inhabitants residing in the Vicinity of Catharine Market, stating the necessity of accomodation being made there for the Country People, and also an enlargement of the Market for the Purpose of providing a suitable Fish Market, was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John Wood was received, stating that he received very considerable Injury in the opening of Lispenard Street, and that he has not been allowed sufficient by the Assessors, therefor, who estimated the losses and Damages by said opening and praying his Petition to be referred to a Committee, to whom he may explain his case. Was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Isaac Carow to be relieved from Tax assessed on him in the 3[d] Ward, he having been assessed in the first Ward.

[39] Was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Robert M & J Russell was received, stating that being dealers in Flax Seed, they are sometimes under the necessity of incumbering the Street and praying that a permission may be given them sometimes to make use of the Side Walk and Street in Front of their Store leaving always Room for Carriages and Foot Passengers to pass, was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of 1[st] Ward with Authority &c

A Petition that Bleecker Street may be paved from Broad Way to Thompson Street Was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition was presented, stating that Mercer Street at the foot of Howard Street is two feet higher than Howard Street, and that Elbert Anderson and Others, had made a Contract for Paving Mercer Street, which would throw the Water of Howard Street into the Cellars of the Subscribers,

which was read and laid on the Table

[40] A Petition of Joseph Spencer for further Compensation for taking the Census and Jury lists of the 9th Ward, was Referred to the Finance Committee

A Remonstrance against paving certain Streets in Greenwich Village was presented and laid on the Table to be taken up when the report of the Committee on that subject is considered.

A Petition of Alexander Robertson in behalf of the Societies in the New York Institution, was presented, stating that said Societies had agreed to Paint the Outside of the parts of said building Occupied by them, and requesting the Corporation to unite with them and paint that part occupied by the Public, accompanied with an agreement to that effect by the said Societies, which was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Garret Sickels keeper of the City Prison or Bridewell praying in consequence of the Multiplied duties he is compelled to perform that the fees formerly allowed to the keeper may be [41] granted to him, was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition from the Inhabitants of Stanton Street and its vicinity praying that said Street may be paved its whole extent, was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Sundry Owners of Property on Beekman Street in behalf of themselves and others signers to a Petition now before the Board in favor of the extension of said Street upon what is called the Straight Plan, stating their views to be, that the Easterly line be as defined in their Petition, and that the Westerly line commence on Pearl Street 45 feet from such Easterly line, and that a straight line be drawn from thence to Front Street, making said Street then of the width of 45 feet, and that all the ground between front and South Streets and between the Easterly line and the market be left open for public use.

Alderman Townsend presented resolutions agreeably to said Petition, Whereupon it was Resolved that said Petition and Resolution, also the Papers on this subject which had been heretofore referred to the Finance Committee be now referred to [42] the Street Committee

A Petition of Stephen McInroy for remission of Fine, incurred by not having the rates for carriages in his Hackney Carriage, was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of John Rice and Andrew Wallace was received, stating that upon an Advertisement of the Street Commissioner for proposals to pave side Walks in Arundle Street by Contract the Petitioners sent in their proposals, which was the lowest, that they accordingly pur-

chased the necessary materials for the Work, but to their surprise the contract has to their great loss and injury been given to another person, and praying relief. Whereupon it was referred to the Street Committee with authority to make a settlement with the Petitioners

A Petition of William Baker and Duncan Pearsall Campbell, praying extension of the time in the Ordinance for making Water Street, between Catharine and Market Slips to the first of June next [43] was Read, and Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted and that the same privilege be granted to those included under said Ordinance

A Petition of Hugh Smith for balance due to him on Contract for Regulating and Paving Hubert Street from St Johns Lane to Chapel Street, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition that Scammel Street may be dug through from Lombardy Street to Cher[r]y Street, was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition from Thomas Willets (a Minor) to be licensed as a Cartman was referred to his honor the Mayor

A Petition of Ezra Frost to be appointed a Deputy Clerk of the Fulton Market was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition for regulating and Paving Eldridge Street between Stanton and North Streets, was referred to the Street Committee

[44] A Petition of Benjamin Odell for relief from Fine said to be incurred by driving a Hackeney Carriage without a License, was referred to the Police Committee,

A Petition in behalf of Benjamin Scott praying he may be discharged from Prison, was referred to the Police Committee with Powers &c

A Petition of Timothy Dandy for relief from Personal Tax was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Communication was received from Ralph Bulkley, stating that he had invented a machine and had obtained a Patent therefor, called the right and left chain wheel, a Machine for raising Water into resevoirs upon elevated situations from the River, to be used in extinguishing Fires, and proposing to convey a right to said Invention to the Corporation, which being read was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of Thomas Barclay a Captain [45] in the Royal Navy of England praying relief from a Personal Tax assessed on him, was referred to the Committee on assessments.

A Petition of George Hirst for repayment of a Fine, which he had paid to the Attorney and which was afterwards remitted by the Police

Committee to whom it had been referred, but Mr Sherman the late Attorney to whom it had been paid, having paid it over to the Corporation and closed his accounts, he had now no relief but through the intervention of the Board, he therefore prayed a warrant might be directed to issue to him for payment, whereupon it was referred to the Police Committee with authority to direct a warrant to issue

A Petition for a Lamp at the corner of Greenwich and Courtlandt Street, was referred to the Lamp Committee

A Petition of Edward W Laight William Henry Maria and Benjamin Laight was received, stating that on the 14th March 1814 they each received [46] a Water grant, the quit Rent of Which was $18.$^{92}/_{100}$ until the 1st May 1822 on which day the maximum rent of $37 $^{84}/_{100}$ commences, and praying as said property has not improved in that vicinity to justify that rise in the Rent, that said maximum Rent may be deferred, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

The following persons were appointed Firemen, the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies

Hook & Ladder No 1

Charles Rollinson Engraver 26 Pine Street 1st Ward Vice John Walker time Expired

Fire Engine No 18

Charles Mowatt Merchant 217 Pearl St 2d Ward Vice William C Wales resigned

No 21

Stephen Thorne Merchant 82 John Str 2d Ward Vice John S Moore resigned

No 28

John C Note Type Founder 9 Chamber St 6th Ward Vice William Stanton resigned

No 43. located at Manhattanville

Thomas Brass Grocer	Manhattanville	9th Ward
William Crawford Blacksmith	do	do
George De Peyster Farmer	do	do
[47] Casper Meier Merchant	do	do
Gilbert Myers Farmer	do	do
David Moleaner ditto	do	do
Samuel Seaman Shoemaker	do	do
Epenetus Doughty Baker	do	do
John Eldred Manefacturer	do	do

Theodore Meyer Merchant	Manhattanville	9th Ward
Robert Crawford Blacksmith	do	do
Samuel Kortwright Carpenter	do	do
Arthur McCarter Grocer	do	do
John Cohee Manufacturer	do	do
John Barrow Jr ditto	do	do
Laurence Barrow ditto	do	do
Peter Myers Jr Farmer	do	do
William De Peyster ditto	do	do
Stephen Richard Merchant	do	do
Thomas Kehoe Farmer	do	do

Upon the report of the Street Commissioner Abraham Dally was appointed Assessor in the Ordinance passed 15th Inst for paving Goerck Street, in the Place of Arthur Burtis appointed Superintendant of the Alms House

The Street Commissioner presented the following ordinances which were passed Viz

[48] For a Well and Pump in East Bank at the intersection of 12th Street and John Salisbury John Bedient, and James Bleecker were appointed Assessors

An Ordinance for a Well and Pump in Lewis Street on Manhattan Island and John Targee Benjamin Prince and Isaac Kip were appointed assessors

Also for Regulating and paving Howard Street and laying the Side Walks from Broad Way to Mercer Street and Abraham Dally, Isaac Kip and Francis Peckwell were appointed Assessors

Also for widening and Paving Side Walks in Rutgers Street between Harman and Division Streets and Benjamin Prince John Brower and John Salisbury were appointed assessors

He also presented an assessment for regulating and paving Division Street from Arundle to Grand Street, and for a Well and Pump in Harman Street near Rutgers Street which were confirmed and Morris DeCamp appointed Collector in each

[49] The Counsel by William S Johnson. Esq presented for execution a deed to Adam D Mount for a small piece of Ground corner of Nassau and Pine Street, also a Lease for Seven years (unless sooner wanted for public Purpose) to Thomas Osborn of a lot of Land and Engine House on it, in Chatham Street near the Gaol Also a Lease for One year from the first of May next and until wanted for public purposes to John Moore for a Lot of Land and building thereon ad-

joining the above mentioned Lot, which deed and Leases were directed to be duly executed.

The City Inspector presented Three Ordinances for correction of Nuisances which were passed

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting nuisances

No 1	Henry Remsen	Owner		Bleecker Street	a Lot
2	Mrs Fisher	do		Mott	do
3	D Jaques	Lessee	11	Moore	A Privy

The Report of the Committee on the Fire Department on the Petition for building a Cistern under the Presbyterian Church in Broome Street, was called up and Read in the following words following

[50] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the Central Presbyterian Church in Broome Street between the Bowery and Broad Way, stating that they have concluded to erect a Brick Church and [are] now engaged in excavating the Cellar, and convinced from the quantity of Frame Buildings in the neighborhood that a Cistern to supply Water for the Engines in case of Fire, will be of great public Utility, do solicit the attention of the honou[r]able Corporation of the City of New York to this subject. Respectfully Report, that your Committee have viewed the neighborhood and are of opinion, that from its remote situation from the Rivers and the number of Frame Buildings in that vicinity a large Cistern may be very useful in case of Fire, and are of opinion that one ought to be built, respectfully offer the following resolutions

Resolved that a Cistern be built to contain not less than One Hundred and Twenty Hogsheads in Broome Street in front of Said Church.

[51] Resolved that the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to take the necessary Measures to carry the above resolution into effect

John P Anthony
M Gelston
Robt McQueen

The Petition and remonstrances also presented this evening were read. the Question was then taken on agreeing to the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department, and passed in the Negative

The Street Committee to whom was referred an Ordinance of the City Inspector directed to E Anderson and D Board for filling in certain Sunken Lots on the North side of Charlton Street from Greenwich Street to Washington Street Reported, that they had examined the Said Lots and are of opinion the time may be extended to the

first of April next for filling in Said Lots and offered the following Resolution.

Resolved that the annexed ordinance be adopted, which was approved and the ordinance was passed

[52] The Street Committee on the Petition for Repaving Howard Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of N Duggan and others relative to repaving Howard Street respectfully report,

That they have viewed Howard Street from Broadway to Mercer Street and find by the present regulation of Mercer Street, it being higher than Howard Street, will stop the Water and fill the Cellars of some of the Inhabitants in the aforesaid Street, and it appears by the Petition that all the owners in Said Street have Signed for the contemplated regulation excepting One, they are therefore of Opinion, that the Prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted and offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be authorised to take up and repave Howard Street from Broadway to Mercer Street, and have the Side Walks laid with brick or flagging

Francis Cooper
[53] Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved, and the Street Commissioner reported an Ordinance Agreeably thereto which was passed.

The Same Committee on the Resolution presented for having Rutgers [Street] paved reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Resolution relative to widening the West Side Walk in Rutgers Street from Harmon to Division Street Respectfully Report

That they have examined the aforesaid Walk and are of opinion that it ought to be widened and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be authorised to repave and widen the West side Walk of Rutgers Street from Harman to Division Street with a parallel line below Harman Street

Fra$ Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

which was approved and the [54] Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance agreeably thereto which was passed

The Same Committee on the Petition for paving certain Streets in Greenwich Village presented a Report. The Remonstrance against the Petition was read The report of the Committee was as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jonathan Secor and others relative to setting the Curb Stone and gravelling the Side Walks in Herring Street and a number of others respectfully Report

That they have carefully examined a number of the Streets, requested to have the Curb Stone Set, and the Side Walks gravelled, and Considered the extensive improvements asked. and the small number of signatures they do not feel themselves warranted in recommending the same and therefore offer their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to [55] grant the prayer of the petitioners

Fra^{s} Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred two ordinances directed to John R Livingston to fill in Sunken Lots fronting on Rivington Lewis and Cannon Streets, between Lewis and Cannon Streets reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred an Ordinance reported by the City Inspector relative to Sunken Lots to be filled up on or before the 1st of December next fronting on Stanton Lewis and Cannon Streets respectfully report

That they have examined the said Lots and report two Ordinances One to fill Twenty five feet in Width from Lewis to Cannon Street, on the northerly side of said Lots on or before the first day of December next, the other to be filled up on or before the first day of May next, and which [56] your Committee believe, will remove the evil complained of and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the two ordinance[s] be adopted

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the Ordinances passed

The Finance Committee on the Petition of George Lorillard reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of

George Lorillard stating that he had paid the sum of One Hundred and Eighty five Dollars twenty Eight Cents, being the amount of an assessment on a Lot of ground lying in Canal Street, to Noah Jarvis the Collector, and that the said Collector had discovered that the Memorialist was not the owner of the said Lot, and praying that the said sum of Money may be refunded to him, Respectfully Report that on enquiry it appears to the Committee [57] that the memorialist and four other persons are the owners of the Lot in Question and that the said memorialist is the owner of one undivided fifth Part of the said Lot, and that the said Memorialist having paid the whole assessment the lien on the Land is gone, and that if the Money were to be refunded the lien on the Land would not be revived, and then the assessment might never be collected and further that no injustice is done to the Memoralist because he having paid the whole assessment is by Law entitled to recover from the other proprietors their proportional shares they being bound to contribute

Resolved that the prayer of the Memorialist cannot be granted

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Fras Cooper
Chas Town
B Crane

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom [58] was referred an account of Abraham Storms for building Pier near Crane Wharf reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the certificate of General Ebenezer Stevens, that the whole cost of the Pier near crane wharf would be Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Six Dollars, and that the two payments being the one half of *of* the said amount, were now due to Abraham Storms being Five Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety three dollars, in order that the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty might provide for the Payment of their proportion of the Latter Sum

Respectfully Report, that the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty are liable for the payment of one third part only of the said Sum so due being One Thousand Nine Hundred and thirty one Dollars

The Following Resolution is recommended

Resolved that the said Sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred and

thirty one Dollars be paid to [59] Abraham Storms, the person who is entitled to receive the same for building the Said Pier

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Hen[r]y J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Cha[s] Town
B Crane

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of John Vreeland reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of John Vreeland respecting that part of the Powder House lots near the middle Road in the Ninth Ward, which had been leased to him and setting forth that he had erected a glue manufactory thereon and praying leave to assign his lease to Peter Cooper of the said Ward

Respectfully Report, that the Committee are not aware of any objection or reason why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. But the Committee do not intend to be understood as [60] recommending the adoption of any measure by which the continuance of the Glue Factory on the premises in question would become legalized. neither is it their intention that any thing herein contained should be construed into an acquiescence on the part of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in any supposed propriety of continuing the said Glue Factory on the said premises but merely that the said John Vreeland may transfer his Interest in the premises to the said Peter Cooper, and that the said Peter Cooper shall not have any greater or other equities or rights in respect of the said premises, than the said John Vreeland had, in and by virtue of the said Lease, and so as that if the said Glue manufactory should hereafter at any time become so offensive as that the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York should deem it expedient for the Public Health or convenience, that the same should be removed, that then the said Peter Cooper his executors, Administraters and assigns shall cause the same to be removed accordingly

[61] And further that the said Peter Cooper at the time of taking the said assignment shall enter into Covenants with the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty for the true and faithful performance of all and singular the covenants and agreements on the part of the said John Vreeland to be kept performed and done in the said Lease men-

tioned and contained, and also into covenants in conformity with this Report

The following Resolution is recommended

Resolved, that the counsel be instructed to prepare the proper covenants for the said transfer in conformity with the foregoing report if requested to do so by the said John Vreeland and Peter Cooper the expense thereof to be paid to the counsel by the said John Vreeland and Peter Cooper or one of them and not otherwise

Respectfully Submitted

Judah Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Charles Town
B Crane

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[62] The Same Committee on the petition of Charles Mooney reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Charles Mooney praying the payment of the balances due to him for paving S[t] Johns Lane and the side Walks in Canal Street in July and August in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty

Respectfully Report, that there is due to the memorialist the sum of One Hundred and thirty One dollars Ninety four Cents for paving S[t] Johns Lane and the further sum of Four Hundred and Six Dollars and two Cents for paving the side Walks in Canal Street making together the Sum of Five Hundred and thirty Seven Dollars Ninety Six Cents: And that default having been made by the Persons who ought to have paid the said Sums, it has been necessary to collect the same by a Sale of the premises on which the same sums have been assessed

The Committee therefore recommend the payment of the said Sums so remaining due.

[63] Resolved that the foregoing Report be approved

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Cha[s] Town
B Crane

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Edward W Laight H Lynch and others Reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorials of Edward W Laight and others praying a reduction of the Rents reserved on certain Water Lots mentioned in the said Memorials, and also praying that the said Rents may be apportioned on the said Lots, so as that the Lots fronting on one Street may not be liable for the Rents reserved on the Lots fronting on another Street

Respectfully Report that in the opinion of the Committee it would be very inexpedient to disturb the grants in as much as it would lead to [64] great complexity and confusion and would moreover occasion the Board to be flooded with applications for the apportionment and reduction of rents reserved on similar grants and other leases

The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the prayer of the memorialists cannot be granted

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Chas Town
B Crane

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom had been referred the petition of Ebenezer Stevens and others reported

The Finance Committee to whom had been referred the memorial of Ebenezer Stevens Ann Byvank and others setting forth, that questions have risen, as to who is to pay for the New Pier (the building thereof) at Crane [65] Wharf Street, and suggesting that the Pier is erected on Private Property, and also that private property is left on the Western Side of the said Pier to about Twenty Feet, and further suggesting that under these circumstances the proprietors on the eastern side of the Pier are not bound for the payment of more than one half of the expense of building the said Pier, and proposing that these matters be submitted to Arbitration.

Respectfully Report that the Pier or wharf in Question is not placed on Private Property and that in this respect the memorialists are incorrect, but the Committee admit that the Pier in Question is erected in front of Private Property as by Law may well be, and that by Law the Individuals who own the Private property in front of which the Pier is erected are to be indemnified by taking wharfage and

Slippage along the Easterly line and along one half of the head of the Pier in exact proportion to the front which they had to the Water, at the time of erecting the said Pier with the other individuals owning fronts interested in the said Slip, That *there* [this] is in conformity [66] to the usages of the Common Council in like cases, and as the Committee think in accordance with the statute authorizing the Mayor Alderman and Commonalty as often and whenever they shall deem it expedient to enlarge the Public Slips, and that the Piers erected for that purpose shall be paid for One Third part by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty and the other two third parts by the owners of the private property, and in the opinion of the Committee the Public Slips could not be enlarged according to the true intent and meaning of that Statute in any other way than by erecting Piers in front of Private Property

The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the prayer of the Memoralists cannot be granted

Resolved that the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty are liable to pay one third part only of the Expense of erecting the said Pier and that when the said Pier shall be [67] finished, the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty will be entitled to all the wharfage and slippage on the Westerly side of the said Pier and to the One half of the Wharfage arising on the head of the said Pier according to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided

Respectfully Submitted

J Hammond
Hen[r]y J Wyckoff
Fra[s] Cooper
B Crane
Chas Town

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Market Committee on the Petition of Job Griffen reported

On the Petition of Job Griffen referred to the Market Committee they beg leave to report.

That the petitioner is a resident of the County of Westchester and was unacquainted with the provisions of the Market Law, when he incurred the penalty for which he has been prosecuted and from which he now prays to be relieved, and *that* [from] the respectability [68] of the subscribers to his petition, Your Committee are induced to offer, and to recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, that the amount of Fine incurred by Job Griffen be remitted on payment of costs

Henry J Wyckoff
Thoˢ S Townsend
M Gelston
Chaˢ Town
Isaac Emmons

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Rufus Gilbert reported

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Rufus Gilbert praying to be licensed as a Butcher. having examined into his recommendations are of opinion that the prayer of his petition ought to be granted, and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that Rufus Gilbert be licensed as a Butcher for the City of New York

[69] Respectfully Submitted

Henry J Wyckoff
Thoˢ S Townsend
M Gelston
Chaˢ Town
Isaac Emmons

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of the Inhabitants of Greenwich Village requesting that Richard Purchase might be licensed as a Butcher reported

The Petition of Sundry Freeholders Inhabitants of the Village of Greenwich praying that Richard Purchase of said Village may be licensed as a Butcher having been referred to the Market Committee, they find that Mʳ Purchase served his apprenticeship to the Butchers Trade in England and are of opinion he ought to be licensed provided he has been naturalized and therefore offer the annexed resolution

Resolved that Richard Purchase be licensed as a Butcher provided he is a Citizen of the United States

[70] Respectfully submitted

Henry J Wyckoff
Thoˢ S Townsend
M Gelston
Charles Town
Isaac Emmons

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Samuel Wright reported

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Wright praying to be relieved from the payment of a Fine of $25. by him incurred for a violation of one of the provisions of the Market Law

Report, that it will be inexpedient to grant the Petitioner relief, inasmuch, as he was frequently informed by the deputy Clerk of Washington Market, that unless he complied with the requisites of the Law, he would have it enforced against him, to all which he paid no attention Your Committee are therefore induced [71] to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his Petition

Henry J Wyckoff
Thos S Townsend
M Gelston
Chas Town
Isaac Emmons

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Special Committee to whom were referred certain Resolutions proposed by Alderman Wyckoff presented a report in part, the consideration of which was postponed and it was directed to be published for the use of the Members

Mr Thorn presented an Ordinance for to repeal the assize of Bread, which was referred to that Committee

The Police Committee on the petition of Isaac C Loper reported

The Police Committee to whom was referred the *the* petition of Isaac C Loper

Respectfully Report, that the Petitioner states that a judgment has been rendered against him for his Dog running at large the Dog was owned by the Petitioner, and [72] was brought to the City from Connecticut, the day previous to that on which he was seen in the Street, and was let out only for a few Moments under the control of the Petitioner, that the Dog was brought to Town for the express purpose of having him broke on Long Island, where he was sent the next day after being in the City only a few hours.

The above case, as stated by the petitioner, has certainly some claim to the indulgence of this Board, the petitioners error however appears to have been, in risking a trial on the question, whether the Dog was running at large within the meaning of the ordinance of this Corporation—That question has been tried before the proper tribunal,

and determined against the Petitioner. he has ventured and failed, and now asks relief.

Your Committee under these circumstances, cannot recommend anything further than relief on payment of the costs, and the fees of registering the Dog

They beg leave to offer the following resolution

[73] Resolved that all proceedings against the petitioner be stayed on his paying the costs and the fees for registering the Dog

Thomas Bolton
Shivers Parker
Geo B Thorp
Henry Mead
M Gelston

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Peter L Swan reported

The Police Committee to whom was referred the petition of Peter Swan

Respectfully Report. Mr Swan states that some time since he was called upon by Mr Watson to pay a Tax for a Dog, as he was not the owner he refused that a suit has been instituted against him, and a Fine of Ten Dollars imposed and being a poor man he asks relief

The Petitioners poverty is the only ground on which relief ought to be granted. the Committee think that the Petitioner ought to pay the Costs and the fees for registering, and that [74] this is as much as he can afford They offer the following resolution

Resolved that all proceedings against the above named Peter Swan be stayed upon his paying the costs and the fees for registering the Dog

Thos Bolton
Shivers Parker
Geo B Thorp
Henry Mead
M Gelston

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Thos M Collins reported

The Police Committee beg leave to report on the petition of Thomas M Collins.

The Petitioner states that in July last he was ordered by the Mayor to attend upon the Park. that where he was on duty he saw Mr John E Rich with some of his Family walking on the Grass, and

pulling some of the branches from the Trees, that he ordered them to desist which Mr Rich refused, and said he [75] would do as he pleased, or words to that effect, that the petitioner went up to, and took hold of Mr Rich to lead him off the grass to the walk, Mr Rich resisted, and the petitioner was obliged to use some force to effect his object and to get released from the grasp of Mr Rich, That Mr Rich afterwards caused the petitioner to be indicted, and appeared as a Witness against him on the trial, and on the testimony of Mr Rich he was convicted and fined in the sum of Five Dollars

This Case has claimed and received the particular attention of your Committee and from what they have been able to ascertain, they are satisfied that Mr Collins had reason to believe, and did believe that it was his duty not to allow any person to Walk on the grass or injure the Trees, and in case of refusal to compel them to obey the orders so given to him by the Chief Magistrate, to bring them forthwith before the competent authority. as Mr Collins does not appear to have acted from any improper motive, but on the contrary, with the [76] intention of discharging his duty as a faithful officer, your committee think he is entitled to the relief asked for and they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved, that a warrant issue in favor of Thomas M Collins for Twenty One Dollars, being the amount of his fine and the costs of the prosecution

Thomas Bolton
Shivers Parker
Geo B Thorp
Henry Mead
M Gelston

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on assessments on the Petition of Casper W Eddy reported.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Caspar W Eddy. praying to be relieved in part of an assessment on his property for the construction of a Sewer in James and Batavia Streets

Report, that on an examination [77] of this case, they find that the assessment Complained of has been confirmed and nearly all the Money collected, and therefore are decidedly of opinion that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner and respectfully submit the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Chas Town
Thos Bolton
Jno P Anthony
William Thorn

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Josiah Purdy reported

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Josiah Purdy, stating that the House and Lot No 58 Chamber Street belonging to the Petitioner, has been returned by the Assessors of the Third Ward as valued at $8100 whereas it appears by their certificate that $1800. was the valuation intended and that the $8100 was returned through mistake, and respectfully solicits that [78] the error may be corrected

Report, that on an investigation of this case, they are satisfied of the justness of the claim made by the Petitioner, and are of opinion that his request ought to be granted and for that purpose respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, that the Collector of the Third Ward be instructed to receive from Josiah Purdy the Tax on $1800 on his House and Lot No 58 Chamber Street in lieu of $8100 and that he return the balance $6300 in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Chas Town
Thos Bolton
Jno P Anthony
William Thorn

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Abraham Schermerhorn reported

The Committee on [79] Assessments, to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham Schermerhorn representing, that he is actually a resident of the Town of Brooklyn, in Kings County, that he has for several Years resided, and paid Personal Tax, and has during that time done Jury duty and is now subject to the same in said County: and that the Courts in the City of New York have invariably excused him as a Juryman, and prays that he may be exempted from the payment of the personal Tax assessed to him in the City of New York

Report that they have carefully investigated this case and find that at the time of making the assessment, the petitioner was in possession

of a House in the 1st Ward, which he kept furnished for the accomodation of his Family and in which they reside during the Winter Months. Your Committee are of opinion that as the assessors, with a full knowledge of all the objections contained in the Petition did under Oath return him as a proper subject of Taxation, it would be improper for them to interfere, and that it [80] would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner. and respectfully recomme[n]d the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Charles Town
Thomas Bolton
Jn° P Anthony
William Thorn

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Terrence Duffee and others reported

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Terrence Duffy and others remonstrating against the confirmation of an assessment for a Well and Pump in Orange Street on the charge of inequality and disproportion in the Assessment—and praying that the same may be referred back to the Assessors for alteration

[81] Report, that they have had this Subject under examination, and after hearing the Petitioners, and obtaining information and explanations from the Assessors, they are of opinion that the Assessment ought to be confirmed—And respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, that the assessment for a Well and Pump in Orange Street opposite Franklin Street be and the same is hereby confirmed

Cha$ Town
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted, and the assessment confirmed and Morris DeCamp appointed Collector

The Same Committee on the Petition of Henry Rutgers and others remonstrating against the confirmation of an assessment for a Well and Pump in Cherry Street reported

The Committee on Assessments on the Petition of Henry Rutgers and others remonstrating against [82] the Confirmation of an assessment for a Well and Pump in Cherry Street, principally on the

ground that the charge for the Pump and fixtures was extravagant and unreasonable, that it was much above the usual charges of Pump Makers for the same Work, and praying relief in the premises as may be reasonable and just.

Report, that they have carefully investigated this subject and are satisfied that the complaints of the Petitioners are not well grounded, the committee were furnished by the Petitioners with an estimate made by an experienced Pump Maker of the Cost of a Well and Pump Complete, which being compared with the charge made by the One complained of, it was found that it cost One Dollar and Seventy five Cents more, than that furnished from the Public Work Shop They are therefore decidedly of opinion that the assessment ought to be confirmed and for that purpose respectfully offer the following resolution

[83] Resolved that the Assessment for a Well and Pump in Cherry Street near Rutgers Street be and the same is hereby Confirmed

Chas Town
Thos Bolton
Jno P Anthony
William Thorn

Which was approved and the assessment Confirmed and Morris DeCamp appointed Collector of the same

The Reports of the Committee on Laws presented on the 1st Instant on the several references to them the consideration of which was postponed and directed to be printed for the use of the Members were called up. The Communication of the Street Commissioner on the subject of Areas was as follows

The Street Commissioner begs leave to represent that a number of Areas have been built in front of Houses, particularly on the Corners of Streets in front of Grocers Shops, having steps the whole lengths of the fronts in order to descend to the cellar floor, which are not railed in, and which are much complained of as [84] being very dangerous to passengers at Night, against which the Ordinance relating to Areas does not provide a remedy

Also that a number of Persons have enclosed a part of the Walk in front of and along their buildings merely to keep people off, but which by contracting the Side Walks becomes a serious inconvenience to the Public that he has stopped One person from erecting a railing for the above purpose when the Side Walk is only 10 feet Wide, until the sense of the Common Council is known

And also that it is a practice to construct an opening similar to an area in front of Stores, and Covering it with plank, for the purpose of storing Wood and coal therein, thereby depriving the Corporation of the Revenue arising from Vaults, and he would present it for the consideration of the Board whether it would not be just that Persons inclosing any part of a Street for their particular benefit should pay therefor as well as [85] for the privilege of building Vaults and Cisterns.

Respectfully Submitted

Jn° M^cComb
Street Commissioner

The Report of the Committee on Laws was as follows

The Committee on Laws on the representation of the Street Commissioner beg leave to bring in a Law to provide for the due enforcement of the ordinances to prevent improper incumbrances in the Streets

The 15th Section of the Law for the appointment of a Street Commissioner gives him full power to prevent any railing, which he may consider unnecessary or an incumbrance from being put up in any Street And the Street Commissioner may whenever he shall deem it proper, remove any such obstruction by the provisions of said Section—Any further provision is unnecessary in this respect, and the Law leaves the Street Commissioner to exercise his own judgment as to its execution in particular cases

On the other subject noticed by [86] the Street Commissioner, the ordinance herewith presented is intended to afford a remedy

R Riker
J. Hammond
Tho^s Bolton

The Law reported by the said Committee was then read by paragraphs and passed under the Title of "A Law to Amend a Law for the appointment of a Street Commissioner and to regulate the paving and keeping in repair and to prevent obstructions in the Streets of the City of New York and for other purposes

The Report of the same Committee on the Petition of Michael M Titus and others respecting the w[e]ighing of Bundles of Hay, which had been postponed, was read in the Words following

The Committee on Laws on the petition of Michael M Titus and others and on the Petition of Abraham Hart, respectfully report, that

the Petitioners pray that the Law respecting the Weighing of Hay [87] May be applied to Bundles of Hay

It also seems that doubts are entertained respecting the precise meaning of the proviso in that Law. which Authorizes any quantity of Hay, not exceeding Ten Hundred Weight, to be Sold and carted away by any Cartman or person for his own use without incurring any penalty therefor

In order to meet the wishes of the Petitioners, and to remove the doubts on the subject of the Law your Committee herewith present an Ordinance—by it all kinds of Hay must be weighed, but any person may buy and cart for his own use any description of Hay under Ten Hundred Weight

R Riker
J Hammond
Thos Bolton

Whereupon the Law proposed by them was passed, entitled a Law to amend a Law to regulate the Landing and sale of Hay in the City of New York.

The Ordinance reported by the [88] Same Committee on the resolution respecting prohibiting Dyers and Scourers from washing Articles of their Trade at the Public Pumps and also prohibiting Horses and Carriages being washed at the Public Pumps, was called up read and passed under the Title of a Law respecting the Public Pumps and to prevent the Drying of Cloth in the Streets

Alderman Mann presented the following resolution.

Resolved, that the Fulton Market be supplied with Manhattan Water, and the building Committee of said Market have power to Contract with the Seperintendant of the Water Works for such supply. Which was adopted

The following resolution was presented

Resolved, that a Committee on applications to the Legislature of Five Persons be appointed by the Chair which was [89] agreed to, and the President appointed Aldn Hammond Anthony Mr Town Crane Bolton

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 15th Inst	167.29
Recd for Tax 1821. 2d & 3d Wards	5000.
Rents	4244.44
Arrears of Taxes	470.
Streets	400.

Recd for Road	332.
Excise	174.
Fines from the Sheriff	74.18
Wells and Pumps	51.66
Loan of Mechanics Bank	5000.
	$15913.57

26 Accounts Audited

Anderson & Leek Watch 1st Dist	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2 do	645.75
Bleakley & Brower do 3 do	414.75
R Furman Supt Alms House & Officers Sal	537.50
J Fleming Treasr 1 Qr do	100.
J Vanderlyn on a/c of Portrait of Prest U S	200.
[90] J McMurray Engrossg Conveyances in Registers office	81.
J Striker & T Tillou Services on 8 Sundays	32.
J Cu[r]tis Carriage Hire	28.
Haydock & Jenkins 8 Casks Oil	655.12
C Mooney paving Int Broadway & Canal	406. 2
H Smith do at Centre Market	333.50
J Wallace Acct James Str Sewer	200.
Higgins & Parks regulating Lombardy St	200.
J Meghan Acct pavg Chatham Square	167.50
C Mooney bal pavg St Johns Lane	131.94
J Pinkerton repairing Intersections	129.63
J Wallace Acct Oak Street Sewer	100.
C Mooney for repg Intersections	15.84
D Dunn filling Lot Watts St (Lemoines)	30. 9
H Smith filling Lot Mott St lien C L Duane	22.40
G Charlton acct Well in Beach Street	19.13
J Halstead Superintendg Building Fulton Markt	192.
R Latimer Work on road at Hurlgate	100.
J P Roome Supt Repairs for Wharves Piers & Slips	2000.
R Furman Superintg Alms House	8000.
	$15744.92
Bal	$168.65

Adjourned

[91] In Common Council November 12. 1821

Present The Hon^ble Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thos Bolton
Thos S Townsend	Abr Valentine
John Bingham	Wm H Ireland
Robt McQueen	Benjn Crane
Asa Mann	Chas Town
Isaac Emmons	Shivers Parker
George B Thorp	Wm Thorn
Judah Hammond	Fras Cooper
	Gerard De Peyster
	Henry Mead

The Minutes of last meeting were Read and approved

A Request of Cadwallader D Colden Esq Chairman of the American Convention of Delegates from the manumission Societies of the United States requesting the use of a Room in the City Hall for their meeting on the 26th Instant was read and referred [92] to the Committee on Public Offices

A Remonstrance against the assessment for paving Front Street between Dover Street and New Slip was presented and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Remonstrance from Sundry owners in Clark Street against the Paving of said Street, was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition for a Well and Pump in Grand Street near Crosby Street, and a petition for one in Crosby Street near Bleecker Street were read and referred to the Aldermen and Assistants of the Wards and the Street Commissioner to report Ordinances therefor

A Petition of Benjamin Bull stating that he has constructed a Platform Scale for the purpose of Weighing heavy drafts and [93] praying, that the City Weighers may be permitted to use the same, Was read and referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences

A Petition of the Lamp Lighters for an Increase of Pay was referred to the Lamp Committee

A Remonstrance of Philetus Havens and Peter G Hart against the proposed regulation of Front Street adjoining the Market erecting at Fulton Street as altering the former regulation of said Street, and injuring their Property and praying if the same is carried into effect that they may be compensated for the Damage done to their property, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Samuel Sherburne Commander of the Ship Robert

Edwards for relief from Fine Incurred under the Law respecting the lying of Vessels in the Public Slips and Wharves—was read and referred to the Police Committee

[94] A Petition of Peter Amerman Deputy Clerk of Fly Market praying for the appointment of Deputy Clerk of Fulton Market, Was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Thames and Cedar Streets praying that a Drain or Sewer may be Constructed in Thames Street and Cedar Street to Carry off the Water from their cellars, was read and referred to the Canal Committee

A Petition of Peter Burdett for relief from Fine for driving Sheep in the Streets on Sunday after the hour prescribed by Law was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Justina Murtaugh for relief from a personal Tax was referred to the Committee on Assessments with powers &c

[95] A Petition of Elizabeth Krapff stating that the *the* plan adopted for opening the Avenues of the City will when the Sixth Avenue is opened take the whole of Four Lots of Ground and a Dwelling House owned by her at Greenwich and therefore she cannot dispose of the same & praying the Corporation now to take the same at a fair Valuation or to allow her an annuity for the same was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of James Clark complaining of an undue assessment on him for paving the Intersection of Division Arundle and Clinton Streets was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition from a Number of Grocers and Dealers in the Bowery for the Establishment of a Scale to weigh produce and other Articles was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of 10th Ward

A Petition for the establishment of a Watchman in Canal Street was [96] Referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition that the side Walks in Leonard Street between Orange and Elm Street may be paved was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Sundry Persons whose property has been heretofore assessed for the extension of Beekman Street remonstrating against an alteration of the line originally agreed upon and praying if such line be altered that the additional expense may be defrayed from the Public Treasury was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Alexander Stewart for relief from Fine Incurred under the Market Law was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Lucas Ruston praying that Two Hogs may be restored to him which were taken up in the Street, they having been

maliciously let out of the Pen, in which they were enclosed, was referred to the [97] Police Committee

A Petition of Mary Foley similar to the preceding was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Stephen Wright complaining of an assessment on him for paving the intersection of Division Arundle and Clinton Streets, was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Memorial from Jonas Humbert on the proposed abolishing the assize of Bread was read and laid on the Table to be taken up when the Law on that subject is considered

A Petition from the Measurers of Grain Coal &c was read stating that they experience great difficulty in the Law lately passed directing that the Fees for Measuring Coal from the Coal Yards should be paid the one half by the Buyer and the other half by the Vender and praying that the Law may be amended and the Fees directed to be paid wholly by the [98] Vender was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices

His Honor the Mayor presented to the Board a Communication of Considerable length on the subject of Tavern Licenses, stating that the great number issued gave a facility to the procurement of Ardent Spirits which was of incalculable injury to the Morals, the property and the Happiness of Society and recommending an application to the Legislature for an enlargement of the powers given on that subject to the Corporation by the City charter so as to authorize them to lay a higher duty upon Licenses and thereby restrict the number; which being read it was directed to be referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature, and it was also ordered to be printed for the use of the Members

A Petition from Sundry Inhabitants, that the South West corner of Grand and Mercer streets may be [99] Paved, was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Elbert Anderson for permission to construct a Vault in Mercer Street

Also of Thomas A Ronalds to construct a Vault in Cliff Street, were granted on the usual terms under the direction of the Street Commissioner

A Memorial was received from the Fire Wardens of the Tenth Ward requesting that an amendment to the Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires may be made so as that when a Fire Warden removed from the Ward in which he was appointed, that another might be appointed in his place, was referred, together with a Law

presented by Alderman J Hammond on the subject, to the Committee on the Fire Department.

The following persons were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies

[100] Fire Wardens of 7th Ward

Samuel Jerman Tallow chandler Banker St 7th Ward Vice Francis Gantz Jr time expired

Fire Engine No 9

Jacob Vanderbilt Cartman 104 Broad St 1st w Vice Jas O Rich Deceased

No 12

Jacob D Clinch Brush Maker 13 Rynders St 6 w Vice John Leake 496 Pearl St resigned

No 16

Smith Brinckerhoff Cabinet Maker Courtland St 3d W Vice John A Cheesman resigned

No 19

Robert McKinlay Shoe maker 7 Bowery 10th W Vice Wm Ryan time expired

No 23

John Hinton Shoe Maker 195 Church St 5th Ward Vice Peter S Titus time Expired

No 29

John S Willet Lock Smith Greenwich c. Charles Vice George Berrian Jr resigned

No 30

Richard Williams Shipwright Harman & Jefferson 7 w Vice Peter Powell time Expired

Peter Snagle Rope Maker Eldridge St n Rivington 10 W Vice John Phillips resigned

[101] Fire Engine No 34

William M Howard Shoe maker Commerce St 8 W Vice Alfred W Hutchinson deceased

No 40

Noah Sutton Cooper 100 Pump St 6th Ward Vice John Cornel resigned

The Street Commissioner presented the following assessments which having been advertised and no objection having been made

thereto they were Confirmed and the following Collectors appointed Viz

for Paving Dominick Street from Varick to Clark Street and for regulating Broome Street from Mercer to Thompson Street and John G Betts was appointed Collector on each.

Also for a Well and Pump on Sheriff Street near Rivington Street and Morris De Camp was appointed Collector.

He also presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed therein. Viz

An Ordinance for a Well and Pump in Orange Street near Grand Street and John Targee James Bleecker and Francis Peckwell [102] Were appointed Assessors

He also on the report of the Street Committee presented an Ordinance for regulating Scammel Street from Cherry to Lombardy Streets and John Targee John Brown[er] and John Bedient were appointed assessors

Also for regulating and curbing Bleecker Street from Mercer to Laurence Streets and James Bleecker John Targee and Francis Peckwell were appointed assessors

Also for regulating Eldridge Street from Stanton to North Street and John Bedient Benjamin Prince and Abraham Dally were appointed assessors

He also presented a return of Delinquents upon the assessment for repairing Rose Street, whereupon a warrant was ordered to issue to the Collector for collecting the same

The Comptroller reported that there had been paid into the Treasury [103] for commutation of Alien Passengers for the Quarter ending the 31st of October last $666. which was directed to be filed

He also presented the following

The Comptroller Respectfully Reports that he has received from the Treasurer an Account of Cash received into the Treasury and paid out by Warrants from the first of May last to the first Instant, He has compared said accounts with the Books in his office and finds it correct

The Account of the Commissioners of the sinking fund for Six Months to the first Instant, is also accurate

The Vouchers were also delivered by the Treasurer, agreeably to Law, and are filed in the Comptrollers office,

It is proper to remark that the present mode of comparing the Receip[t]s and Payments of all Public Monies, Semi Annually insures

as much Correctness in the Fiscal Concerns of the Corporation, as is practicable or necessary to be obtained

Respectfully Submitted

G N Bleecker Compr

[104] Which was directed to be filed

The City Inspector reported Ordinances for the Correction of Nuisances which were passed

The City Inspector Respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Viz

No 1	Wm Hunter	Owner		Coerlears St	A Lot
2	do	do		do	do
3	Wm Cammeyer	Occupt	No 1	Front St	A Privy
4	Jas McCurdy	do	4½	do	do
5	Israel Bedell	do	10	do	do
6	Jno Bell	do	10½	do	do
7	C Clark	do	12	do	do
8	Wm Jessup	do	13	do	do
9	O Jaques	do	15	do	do
10	A McArthur	do	26	do	do
11	R Shaw	do	28	do	do
12	Manning & Richmond		35	do	do
13	C Dubois	do	36	do	do
14	H Lourey	do	8	South	do
15	C Taylor	do	66	Division	do
16	Tredwell & Stokes	do	27	Coenties Slip	do
17	I Osborn	do	3	Jacob St	do
18	J Ludlum	do	28	Pearl	do
19	Wm Talman	do	30	do	do
20	[105] Mrs Silvey	do	48	do	do
21	G Barr	do	50	do	do
22	D Ward	do	58	do	do
23	G Long	do	71	do	do
24	I Laurence	Owner	31	Stone St	do
25	D Stillwagon	Occupant	33	do	do
26	J Miller	do	43	do	do
27	P A Mesier	do	47	do	do
28	D E Crane	do	51	do	do
29	Mrs Brown	do	53	do	do
30	H Loomis	do	57	do	do
31	H Crary	do	61	do	do
32	J Ball	do	3	Moore St	do
33	D Jaques	do	9	do	do
34	J Gregory	do	26	do	do
35	P Richardson	do	28	do	do
36	T Price	do	30	do	do
37	R Jaques	do	32	do	do

38	Kinnan & Mead	Occupant	89	Broad	A Privy
39	J Bailey	do	91	do	do
40	Wm Stinson	do	95	do	do
41	D Higgins	do	114	do	do
42	R Grant	do	128	do	do
43	C Kukuck	do	130	do	do
44	E Innes	do	134	do	do
45	Mrs Reid	do	4	Water	do
46	J Smith	do	9	do	do
47	[106] A A Slover	do	12	do	do
48	J Glass	do	15	do	do
49	R Allen	do	25	do	do
50	D Parker	do	26	do	do
51	R Gilling	do	30	do	do

George Cuming
City Inspector

He also presented an ordinance directed to William Hunter to fill in Certain Sunken Lots extending from Corlaers Street on the East Side to the East River between Cherry and Lombardy Streets and North of George Janeways Lots, which was referred to the Street Committee

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips on the petition of Elbert Anderson and David Board reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition of Elbert Anderson & David Board Esqrs complaining of the highness of the Rent reserved by this Board in a Certain Water Grant taken out by them situate at the corner of Charlton and Washington Streets dated the 25th day of March 1816 and setting [107] forth that some mistake in their opinion must have taken place by the officers of this Board at that time in their calculations beg leave most Respectfully to Report.

That Your Committee have been very particular in examining into the whole of that transaction and have had David S Jones and Thomas R Mercein before them who were the Officers of this Board at that time, and the said Officers were not able to discover any mistake that had taken place in the said Grant, therefore your Committee are of the opinion that the prayer of the petitioners cannot be granted inasmuch, as it does not appear to your Committee that any mistake did take place and that the said Messrs C Anderson and D Board, did know the rent of said grant at the time of taking out the same, and your Committee are further of the opinion that it would be dangerous to meddle with the altering of grants unless a mistake had

happened, as there are others under similar contracts, therefore your Committee beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

[108] Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Isaac Emmons
J Hammond
Asa Mann
Thoˢ S Townsend

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Street Committee on the petition for paving Eldridge Street reported

The Street Committee to whom were referred the petition of Peter Valentine and others relative to regulating and paving Eldridge Street from Stanton to North Street respectfully report

That they have examined Eldridge Street from Stanton to North Street, and find it in a bad condition and are of opinion that it ought to be regulated, and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be authorized to have Eldridge Street from Stanton to [109] North Street regulated

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the Street Commissioner reported an Ordinance agreeably thereto which was passed

The Same Committee on the Petition for paving Stanton Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Eckford and others, relative to paving Stanton Street from Ludlow to Willet Street,

Respectfully Report that they have examined Stanton Street from Ludlow to Willet Street and find it very much gullied as stated by the Petitioners but being so late in the Season they do not feel themselves warranted in recommending so extensive an Improvement at present and are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted and offer the following

[110] Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Bleecker Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles M Graham Jr and others relative to Paving Bleecker Street from Broadway to Thompson Street

Respectfully Report that they have carefully examined Bleecker Street from Broad Way to Thompson Street, and find it to be the principal Street leading from Broad Way to Greenwich, and a part of it already paved and the Side Walks regulated, they are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted in part and offer the following resolution

[111] Resolved that the Street Commissioner be authorized to have the Curb Stone laid and the Side Walks gravelled in Bleecker Street from Mercer to Laurens Street

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the Street Commissioner reported an Ordinance agreeably thereto which was passed

The Same Committee on the petition for paving part of Dominick Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Jotham Weeks and others relative to paving and regulating Dominick Street from Varick to Hudson Street.

Respectfully Report that they have examined Dominick Street from Varick to Hudson Street, and find that a small portion of it is improved, and a part of it not ceded they are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted and offer the [112] following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Scammel Street reported

The Street Committee to whom was referred [the petition] of C Bergh and others relative to regulating Scammel from Lombardy to Cherry Streets respectfully report

That they have examined Scammel Street from Lombardy to Cherry Street and find that a part of it is already dug out and the other part of it so high that it is very difficult to pass in said Street as stated by the petitioners they are therefore of opinion that it ought to be regulated, and offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Street—[113] Commissioner be authorized to have Scammel Street from Lombardy to Cherry Street regulated

Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the Street Commissioner reported an ordinance agreeably thereto which was passed

The Finance Committee on the petition of Edward W Laight and others reported

The Finance Committee to whom were referred the memorial of Edward W Laight and others requesting that the payment of the Maximum Rent may be defferred,

Respectfully Report, that for the reasons set forth in the former report of the Committee on this subject, it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the memorial

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Memorialists

Respectfully Submitted

[114] Judah Hammond
Francis Cooper
Charles Town
Henry J Wyckoff
B Crane

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Garret Sickels reported

The Finance Committee to whom were referred the memorial of Garret Sickels of the City prison Complaining of the insufficiency of his Compensation considered with reference to the great responsibility and arduous duties of his office

Respectfully Report, that in making the office of the keeper of the City prison a Salary office merely and the taking away all fees from the Keeper of it was intended to place him on the same footing with the keeper of the penitentiary But the Committee having investigated the subject are of the opinion that the duties of the two offices

are in some degree unequal [115] and that they are not upon an equality in the matter of Compensation

The Keeper of the Penitentiary has a Salary of Eight Hundred Dollars a Year and as the Committee are informed is allowed a garden and the privilege of keeping a Horse and a Cow—It is true that the Horse is allowed him in order to enable him to traverse the Island in Superintending the Work of Convicts on the Roads and Common Lands—but it is true also that the Commissioners of the Alms House and Bridewell are authorized by a Resolution of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty to allow the keeper of the Penitentiary a sum not exceeding one Hundred and fifty Dollars a year for his labour in superintending the working of the convicts on the Roads, And as the whole time and attention of the Keeper of the City Prison is devoted by him to the duties of his office, the Committee think that the Compensation of Eight Hundred Dollars a year at present allowed to him is insufficient and [116] not an equivalent for the servises performed by him. The Committee therefore recommend the following resolution, which they think will if adopted, place him on an equality in compensation, with the Keeper of the Penitentiary, and which the Committee believe it was originally intended to have done

Resolved, that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars a year be paid to the Keeper of the City Prison in addition to his present Salary to take effect from the passing of this resolution

J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Chaˢ Town
B Crane

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Joseph Spencer reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial [117] of Joseph Spencer praying a further Compensation for taking the Census and making a Jury list of the Ninth Ward of the City of New York,

Respectfully Report that for the reasons set forth by the Memorialist in the paper signed by him the truth whereof the Committee do not doubt, they have become satisfied that the labour and expense of taking the census in the Ninth Ward were greater than in any other

Ward, and that it is reasonable that some further Compensation should be granted to the memorialist.

The Committee therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the further sum of Fifty Dollars be allowed and paid to Joseph Spencer for the extraordinary labour and expense incurred by him in taking the Census and Jury list of the Ninth Ward.

Judah Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Fra^{s} Cooper
Chas Town
B Crane

[118] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on assessments on the petition of Timothy Dandy reported

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Timothy Dandy complaining of having been assessed for Tax on his personal property in the Second Ward for the year 1820 and praying to be relieved from paying the same

Report that they have given the case an investigation and find that the petitioner is a resident of the Fourth Ward, where he has been regularly Assessed for Tax on his real Estate and uniformly exempt from personal Tax on account of the incumbrances on his property, this fact appears from an examination of the Tax Books of that Ward for 3 or 4 years past. In 1820 he boarded two weeks in Liberty Street at which time he was assessed for the Tax complained of, it appears however that he continued to sleep at his Store in the 4th Ward and therefore could not be considered a resident of the [119] Second Ward, and of course not liable to taxation in that Ward, Your Committee are decidedly of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted, and respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Arrears of Taxes be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of Timothy Dandy in the Second Ward for the year 1820

Cha^{s} Town
Jn^{o} Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of William Patton reported

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of William Patton praying to be relieved from paying the Tax assessed on his personal property in the Eighth Ward

Report, that on an examination of this case they find that the Petitioner is a Minister of the Gospel [120] and of Course exempt by the Laws of this State from paying Tax on Personal Property, Your Committee are of opinion that his request ought to be granted and respectfully submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Eighth Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of William Paton, and that he return the same in the list of Errors and Insolvencies of said Ward

Chaˢ Town
Jno Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Thomas Barclay Jr reported

Report, that on an examination of this Case, it appears that the Petitioner is a Captain in the British Navy, and that he is here with leave of absence from his Government, on a Visit to his Friends and not a [121] Resident of this City, this more fully appears from the certificate of the Assessors, in which they say "That they rated Captain Barclay on personal property, under an impression that he was a resident Citizen, that they are now convinced said assessment was improper and request he may be relieved from the same if practicable. Your Committee under all the Circumstances of this case, are decidedly of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Third Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of Thomas Barclay Jr, and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Chaˢ Town
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the [122] Petition of Edward Wier reported

The Committee on the Assessment to whom was referred the petition of Edward Wier, praying the Correction of an Error made in the Assessment of his Personal Property in the Eight Ward

Report that on examining the Original Book of Assessments, it appears that the Petitioners Personal Property is valued at $300. and that in transscribing it into the Collectors Book it is set down $3000. Your Committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner is just and proper and ought to be granted, and for that purpose respectfully recommend the following resolution.

Resolved, that the Collector of the Eighth Ward be instructed to receive from Edward Wier personal Tax on $300. in lieu of $3000 and that he return the balance in the list of Errors and insolvencies in said Ward

Chaˢ Town
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

[123] Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Isaac Carow reported

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Carow, in which he states that he removed into the Third Ward on the first of May last, and has been assessed for personal Tax in the First Ward and also in the Third Ward, that the Assessment in the Third Ward has been made under a mistake, and prays his case may be considered and such relief granted as may be found to be just

Report, that on an examination of this Case it appears that the petitioner has been assessed for Personal Tax in the First and Third Wards, that he is a resident of the Third Ward and of course not liable to pay the Tax assessed on his personal property in the First Ward. It also appears that during his residence in the First Ward he has been uniformly assessed on $20.000 personal Property, and that on his removal [124] this year to the Third Ward he has been assessed on $50.000, which he Considers as unequal and oppressive, as it is much beyond the real value of his Personal Estate, of this fact he has satisfied the assessors, who have given him a Certificate in which they say "They are convinced from the representations of Mʳ Isaac Carow that he has been over assessed on his personal prop-

erty Twenty Thousand Dollars, and request that relief may be afforded him if practicable, The Committee fully satisfied that the petitioner is entitled to relief, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions

Resolved, that the Collector of the First Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax on the personal property of Isaac Carow and that he return the same in the list of Errors and Insolvencies of the First Ward

Resolved, that the Collector of the Third Ward be instructed to receive from Isaac Carow Personal Tax on $30.000. in lieu of $50.000, [125] and that he return the balance in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Chas Town
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of John Wood reported

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John Wood, praying relief for Damage done to his House by the opening of Lispenard Street to Broad Way

Report, that on investigating this case, they find that the assessment for opening Lispenard Street to Broadway was made by Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court, and that it has been confirmed, such being the fact and the Common Council having (as your Committee Conceive) no control over assessments made by Commissioners appointed, and confirmed as aforesaid they are of opinion that the prayer of [126] the Petitioner cannot be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner cannot be granted

Chaˢ Town
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee of Charity on the Petition of Moses Judah reported

The Committee of Charity to whom the petition of Moses Judah was referred praying to be relieved from the payment of a Tax of Two Dollars assessed on him

Report that from the best information they have obtained, he is unable to pay even so small a sum.

They therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector do omit collecting the Tax of Two Dollars from Moses Judah, and return it [127] with the errors and insolvencies of the Ward

Respectfully Submitted

Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Market Committee on the petition of Adam Dobbs reported

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Adam Dobbs praying to be licensed as a Butcher for the Stand N° 47 Catharine Market now in the occupancy of Thomas Place Jr

Report that your Committee have been informed the above petitioner was heretofore licensed as a Butcher, but was suspended for irregular practises therefore your Committee are of opinion he ought not to be licensed, they offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Henry J Wyckoff
Isaac Emmons
Chas Town
Thos S Townsend

[128] Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Special Committee to whom were referred the Resolutions offered by Alderman Wyckoff on the subject of Bread and the Ordinances to abolish the assize of Bread presented by Alderman Asst Thorn, presented a report the Consideration of which was postponed and the same was directed to be printed for the use of the Members

Alderman Wyckoff presented for Consideration "a Law respecting Vessels lying at Coenties Slip and for other purposes" which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

He also presented a Resolution to enquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature to empower the Corporation to assess the amount of any sums to be raised for paving and flagging Streets and for digging [129] Wells, in such man[n]er as may be just and equitable, which was referred to the Committee on applications to the Legislature

Alderman Hammond presented the following

Resolved that Arthur Burtis be appointed one of the Commissioners of the Alms House, Bridewell and Penitentiary in the place of Richard Furman Esq, which was adopted and Arthur Burtis was appointed accordingly

Alderman Emmons presented the following

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Alms House have full powers to sell all the Pins Manufactured in the said House and account to the Treasurer for the proceeds of the same

The Comptroller Reported

Balance in Treasury on 29th Oct		168.65
Recd for Tax 1821..1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 8 & 10 wds		13.925.
	Rents	4013.93
[130]	Streets	804.42
	Excise	642.
	Justices Courts	507.23
	City Prison Fees	354.
	Wells & Pumps	150.
	Intestate Estates	144.90
		$20710.13

68 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st Dis	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2 do	645.75
Bleakley & Brower do 3 do	414.75
J J Astor Ground Rent for Watch House in Spring St	15.
R Riker Esq Recorder Qr Salary	375.
W Hoghland Keeper Penitentiary & 3 Assistants Sal	537.50
G Sickels Keeper City Prison & 2 deputies	400.
J Morton Clerk of Com Council 1 Qr Sal & Exp	290.70
R L Walker Phisician City Prison	125.
J Burger Regulating 4 Public Clocks	50.
J Pinckney Street Inspector	54.25
A Ackerman do	54.25
S Hutchings do	54.25
W J Waldron Asst do City Insp	47.25
O Ayres do do	47.25
Astin & Cochrane Messengers	54.
C Gilman Keeper of Battery	34.88
A McCready Keeper of Park	34.87
D H Magee Keeper of Potters field	38.75
[131] J Bremner Clerk of Catharine Market	108.25
R Smith do Washington do	42.
E Frost do 6 Markets	34.50

E Tibbets & J H Bailey	Assessors of	1st	Ward	1821	305.
J Drake & W W Fox	do	2	do		286.
N C Griffiths & J Graham	do	3	do		300.
P Bonnet & L Hartman	do	4	do		230.
G Sutton & L Warner	do	5	do		340.
H Ackerman & P Halsted	do	6	do		316.
J Cox & J Tuthill	do	7	do		286.
G Coutant & J N Wells	do	8	do		292.
T Millis[er] & J Adriance	do	9	do		375.
G Ostrander & S Purdy	do	10	do		291.
J Leonard for lists of Passengers					50.
O Ayres Asst City Insp. removing Nuisances					20.62
M M Noah Sheriff for Officers attd Courts					1057.50
S Montgomery & other servs Subpoenas					247.37
J Hammond	Justice	1. 2. 3 Wards			400.
E Morrill	do	4. 6			400.
M Cunningham	do	5. 8			400.
N Scovill	do	7. 10			400.
J L Pell	Clerk Court	1. 2 3 Wards			187.50
E Burling	do	4. 6			187.50
G Betts	do	5. 8			187.50
W H Smith	do	7. 10			187.50
J Whelpley	Room Rent Court	1. 2. 3 Ward			31.25
N Bartlett	do	4. 6			25.
[132] S Titus	Room Rent for Court	7. 10 Wards			31.25
T M Collins Amt of Fines & prosecution					21.
H Talman Coroner Fees					311.17
D Lyon Hose & repairs of Engines					625.25
C H Robinson 25 Casks Oil					2062.59
G Snethen Supers & Lighting Lamps					739.97
D Briggs Works at Lamps					57. 3
R Provoost reps Lamps					46.41
B Crane Stationary for 5 Public offices					233.43
G L Birch Printing					190.75
J Pinckerton Repairing & Paving					525.65
Higgins & Parks Acct regulating Lombardy St					200.
J Curlbert Acct pavs Canal St					200.
T Cuming regulating Burrows St					140.46
T Lovett Acct pavs Chapel St					100.
H Voorhis Well in Mott St					48.37
R Pettigrew bal Well in Orange					24.70
H Voorhis bal do in Cherry					16.87
J Gallagher do do in Banker					9.
A Storms Corporation Proportion of ⅓ for builds Piers at Crane Wharf					1931.
J P Roome Supts Repairs, Docks & Slips					1000.
R Graves Street Comr for Repairs Roads					900.
					$20678.61

Adjourned

Balance $31.52

[133] Special Meeting In Common Council November 14 1821

Present The Hon[l] Stephen Allen Mayor

Aldermen	Assistants
T S Townsend	A Valentine
M Gelston	B Crane
J P Anthony	C Town
J Bingham	W Thorn
R M[c]Queen	H Mead
J Emmons	
J Hammond	

His Honor they Mayor stated that he had Summoned the Board in Consequence of an application from the Superintendant of the Alms House, stating that some Money was requisite for that institution,

Whereupon it was Resolved that a Warrant issue for Arthur Burtis Superintendant of the Alms House for Ten Thousand Dollars for the Alms House Establishment

Adjourned

[134] Special Meeting November 22[d] 1821

In Common Council

Present The Hon[e] S Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Townsend	Bolton
Gelston	Valentine
Bingham	Ireland
Emmons	Town
Hammond	Thorn

His Honor the Mayor informed the Board, he had summoned them together in consequence of receiving some invitations, and also respecting the Petition to Congress respecting the Battery, which required to be acted upon

He Stated that he had received an Invitation from the Committee of Arrangement of the Mechanics Society requesting the attendance of the Members of the Common Council at the opening of their School Room [135] and Apprentices Library in Chamber Street on Monday 26[th] Instant at 3 Oclock when also an Oration would be delivered by a Member of the Society (M M Noah) whereupon it was resolved that the Invitation be accepted

An Invitation from Major General Morton to the Mayor and Commonalty inviting them to attend at the City Hall on Monday the

26th Instant to receive the Marching Salute from the Troops of Artillery who will be under arms on that day in Commemoration of the Evacuation of the City by the British Troops at the close of the Revolutionary War

Whereupon it was resolved that the invitation be accepted.

It was also resolved that the Officers on duty be invited by the Mayor to partake of Refreshment in the Hall after the parade of that day, and that Alderman Emmons Town and Thorn be a Committee to make the necessary arrangements therefor

The Memorial to Congress on the subject of Ceding to the Corporation [136] the Works at the Battery named Castle Clinton and the ground at that place, formerly granted to the United States, was read and directed to be duly authenticated

Resolved, that the Board meet on Tuesday evening next at 5 Oclock

Adjourned

[137] In Common Council November 27 1821

Present The Hon^{l} Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thos S Townsend	Abr Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H Ireland
John P Anthony	B Crane
John Bingham	Charles Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	Wm Thorn
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Henry Mead

The Minutes of last meeting and of the Special Meetings were Read and approved

A Petition of Peter Purchase for License as a Butcher to be stationed at Greenwich Market accompanied with a recommendation of the Inhabitants of Greenwich Village was referred to the Market Committee [138] with authority to grant him a Licence as a Butcher

A Petition of Ezekiel Archer Complaining of an undue assessment of Personal Tax, was Read and Referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Further petition of Adam Dobbs for licence as a Butcher was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of John Enniss for Stall No 7 Spring Street Market

at present occupied by Cornelius Chevis, was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition for a Well and Pump in Raisin Street in the Eighth Ward, was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of Ward and Street Commissioner to report an Ordinance therefor

A Petition from Eli Wadsworth & C° praying that Major M Moore be [139] appointed a Weighmaster of Hay was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of Isaac Vanderbeck praying relief from an assessment on him for Personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments with power to grant relief

A Petition from Patrick M°Cabe praying relief from a Penalty recovered against him for not registering a Dog was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Catharine A Newbold stating that she is about making a Stoop for her House N° 7 Broadway opposite the Bowling Green lately erected by her and praying to be permitted to carry out her stoop on a line with her neighbors or as far as the old Stoop projected was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition from Caleb G Hains praying that a Hog belonging to him that was taken up in the Streets may be restored to him, was referred to the Street Committee

[140] A Petition of William B Astor in behalf of John Jacob Astor stating that he is Lessee under the Corporation of Trinity Church of Land between Hudson an[d] Varick Street bounded No[r]th by Hammersly Street, that he has filled up his Lot to the middle of the Street agreeably to the proposed regulation and praying an Ordinance may be passed directing the Corporation of Trinity Church to fill up their portion of the Street, which was referred to the Street Committee

A Further petition of George Lorillard praying relief for an assessment paid by him for a Lot on Canal Street assessed as his property which now appears was not owned by him, was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition was received from John Vanderlyn stating that he has finished the Portrait of James Monroe President of the United States agreeably to the directions of the Corporation he further stated, that having been obliged to go to the City of Washington [141] for the purpose of completing and taking a Correct likeness of the President and also that of General Jackson and having been of consequence put to very Considerable extra expenses, thereby, he suggested to the

Liberality of the Corporation, an allowance of a further Sum beyond that agreed on with him, for the painting of those Portraits,

He also respectfully solicited the Members of the Common Council to visit the Rutunda where the Portrait now was to view it, Whereupon the Petition was referred to the Finance Committeee, and it was resolved that the Invitation be accepted

A Petition from the Inhabitants of Stag Town praying that a Hook and Ladder Company may be established there, was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Communication was received from Melatiah Nash recommending that a Room in the City Hall be appropriated to a Clock and such astronomical Instruments as would [142] be required to regulate the same by Celestial Observations and that a Competent person be appointed to regulate said Clock, from which the Public Clocks in the City might be regulated, and that such person should keep a register of Meteorological Observations, He also recommended that a permanent Circle should be established near the City Hall, through which a true Meridian Line being drawn and a Magnetic Needle suspended in the Centre the actual variation of the Compass would be shown and the diurnal and annual change of the magnetic variation be obtained, whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences

A Petition of Gould Hoyt was received stating that he is owner of several Lots in North Moore Street that a Well and Pump is sunk in said Street, so near the side walk as to prevent their constructing vaults and praying that said Well may be filled up.

[143] Also praying permission to construct vaultz in the Street opposite his Lots, whereupon the same was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Rachel Hutson for relief from Personal Tax was referred to the Committee on Assessments with authority to grant relief

A Petition of Leonard Baker for relief from Penalty incurred by driving a Hackney Carriage without leave therefor was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition from Fire Engine Company N° 9 stating that their present Engine is old and not in a Situation to be of much utility at Fires, stating that the same might be disposed of to advantage, and praying that may be done and a new one built for them was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department, with authority to act in the premises as they should judge expedient

A Petition of John Minuse for [144] appointment of Deputy Clerk of Fulton Market accompanied with recommendations from the Butchers and Fishermen of the Fly Market, was read and laid on the Table

A Petition of George Duryee to be appointed *to be appointed* assistant Sweeper at Fulton Market was referred to the Market Committee

The following Persons were appointed Fire Wardens and Fire-Men the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Warden 4th Ward

Peter Thompson Copper Smith 88 Roosevelt St 4th W Vice Eldad Holmes resigned

Thomas Webster Merchant 10 James Street Vice Simon Skilling resigned

Fire Warden 7th Ward

Nathaniel Ward Ship Wright N° 18 Cheapside St Vice Abraham Dally time Expired

Fire Engine Company N° 1

Caleb Crane Lime Inspector 104 Hudson St 5th W Vice P Devoe resigned

[145] Fire Engine Company N° 2

Caleb C Colvill Cabinet Maker 109 Mulbery St 6th W Vice J Halley resigned

N° 8

Richard Merritt Dry Good Mercht 36 Division St 10th W Vice Jesse B Lee Left the City

N° 15

Whitehead H Andrews Chandler 5 Lombardy St 7th Wd Vice John Stillwell time Expired

N° 22

William Carter Ship Wright Lombardy St 7th Ward Vice Thomas Megson 89 Henry St Resigned

N° 24

Jacob T Doty Grocer Beekman Street 2d Ward Vice Stephen Young resigned

N° 41

William Grimes Porter Ridge & Rivtn 10th Ward Vice Alvey Smith Resigned

Martin Beebee Blacksmith 270 Delancy 10th Ward Vice Seth Wheeler left the City

N° 42

John W Wheeler Accountant Rutgers St 7th Ward Vice Peter Hawk Decd

Chas C Hutchings Tinman 23 Orange 6th Ward Vice John Risley resigned

The Street Commissioner presented [146] An assessment for regulating and paving Roosevelt Street from Front to South Street which was confirmed and Noah Jarvis appointed Collector,

He also presented the following Assessments which had been advertised and no objections made to them, which were confirmed Viz for a Well and Pump in Beach Street near Varick Street and John G Betts was appointed Collector and for a Well and Pump in Mott Street between Bleecker and Prince Streets, and Morris De Camp was appointed Collector

He also presented returns of delinquents upon the following Assessments and Warrants were ordered to be issued to the Collector for Collecting the same Viz for building a Sewer in James Street for a Sewer in Oak Street and for a Sewer in Batavia Street

He also upon the Report of the [147] Street Committee reported the following Ordinances which were passed. Viz for Paving Grand Street from Mercer to Green Street and John Salisbury John Brown[er] and Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors, also on the Report of the Canal Committee an Ordinance for building a drain in Cedar Street from Lumber Street to the River and James Bleecker Isaac Kip and John Salisbury were appointed Assessors

Also for Building a Sewer in Thames Street from Lumber Street to the River and Abraham Dally Benjamin Prince and John Bedient were appointed Assessors

The Comptroller presented a Balance Sheet for the last Six Months upon the accounts exhibited due from Individuals he observed that very great delay occurred in the collection of them by suits at Law and he recommended their reference to a Committee to whom explanations respecting them might be made, whereupon the[y] were referred to the Finance Committee

[148] The Counsel presented a grant for a Water Lot at Brooklyn to William Cunningham which was directed to be duly executed

His Honor the Mayor made a Communication of some length on the subject of Alien Passengers stating various evasions of the Law which occurred by the Landing of Emigrants from Europe in the adjoining States beyond the distance of Fifty Miles prescribed in the Law on that Subject who made their way to the City by Land and

became in a short time a burthen upon the Public and recommending a reference of the subject to the consideration of the Committee on Applications to the Legislature whereupon the same was accordingly referred to that Committee.

He also presented a Communication which had been made to him on the Subject of Tavern [149] Licenses, which was referred to the same Committee

The City Inspector made a Communication on the subject of Nuisances which arose from old and decayed Sewers, which was referred to the Canal Committee

He also presented ordinances for the Correction of Nuisances which were passed.

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Viz

No 1	Wm Miller	Occupant	6	Sloat Lane	A Privy
2	S Trenchard	do	118	Harmon St	do
3	T Shannon	do	30	Mill St	do
4	B Galloope	do	17	William	do
5	J Praye	do	8	Garden	do
6	T Turnbull	do	14	do	do
7	J R Stewart	do	49	South St	do
8	J D'Wolf Jr	do	54	do	do
9	do	do	55	do	do
10	Rogers & *Grain* [Gracie]	do	56	do	do
11	Boorman & Johnston	do	57	do	do
12	H Brown	do	34	Beaver	do
13	N Phillips	Agent	40	do	do
14	[150] Robertson Dixon & Gray	Occupants	10	Governeur Lane	do
15	J Hopper	do	44	Beaver St	do
16	H Reid	do	48	do	do
17	G Harsen, Jr	do	52	do	do
18	*J* [F] T Luqueer	do	53	do	do
19	C Gordon	do	76	Pearl	do
20	W & A R Luyster	do	82	do	do
21	H James	do	82½	do	do
22	A P Hamlin	do	118	do	do
23	A Tappan & Co	do	120	do	do
24	O Hull	do	146	do	do
25	Dunham & Auchincloss	do	150	do	do
26	R Calrow	do	10	Wall	do
27	B Pike	do	12	do	do
28	S Benton	do	14	do	do
29	P A Mesier	do	28	do	do
30	Ja[r]vis Bulkley & Co	do	35	do	do
31	E S Bunker	do	39 & 41	do	do

32	Jackson & Woolley	Occupant	75 & 77	Wall	A Privy
33	R Borland	do	79	do	do
34	C N *Husted*[Kiersted]	Agent	19	Broad	do
35	D Fanshall[w]	Occupant	37	do	do
36	Jno L Luff	do	41	do	do
37	J Meeks	do	43	do	do
38	J D Brown	do	45	do	do
39	A Van Buskirk	do	53	do	do
40	S & M Young	do	67 & 69	do	do
41	[151] J Van Cleef	do	75	do	do
42	J Johnson	do	65	Front	do
43	J Brown	do	68	do	do
44	J *F* [T] Miller	do	70	do	do
45	M Wheeler	do	79	do	do
46	J Kinchell	do	83	do	do
47	A Meng	do	84	do	do
48	M Fury	do	88	do	do
49	R Gillespie	do	106	do	do
50	J F Duryea	do	56	Water	do
51	S Storm	do	58	do	do
52	L Evans	do	61	do	do
53	B Keelan	do	65	do	do
54	J Wareham	do	67	do	do
55	Mrs Jenkins	do	71	do	do
56	E *W* [& S] Abrams	do	83	do	do
57	J L Dias	do	87	do	do
58	D Latourette	do	91	do	do
59	J Reid	do	99	do	do
60	J L James	do	101	do	do
61	Mrs G B Miller	do	107	do	do
62	J K Beekman	Owner		Eldridge St	A Lot
63	J Harsin	do		Forsyth St	do

George Cuming
City Inspector

He also under the rule of the Common [152] Counsel presented an ordinance directed to John K. Beekman directing *hill* [him] to fill in certain sunken Lots on Eldridge Street, between Stanton and North Street adjoining the Dutch Church burial [ground], with good and wholesome Earth; and also One directed to Jacob Harsen to fill in with good and wholesome Earth certain sunken Lots on Forsyth Street adjoining the Dutch Church Burial Ground, which were referred to the Street Committee

The Ferry Committee on the subject of the Communication from Isaac Chauncey reported

The Committee on Ferries to whom was referred (with Power) a Communication from Commodore Chauncey, requesting payment

for ground taken by the Corporation adjoining the Public Ferry at Hurl Gate, in the Summer of 1818, and also for the extra expense incurred by him in building a Fence in consequence of the Corporation taking said ground for the accomodation of said Ferry

Report, that they have investigated the business and find that the [153] Corporation did take by consent of Commoᵉ Chauncey, and to be paid for at a fair valuation a piece of ground adjoining the Corporation Property at Hurl Gate Ferry, and that Comᵉ Chauncey built a stone Fence on a line pointed out to him by the then Ferry Committee, leaving out for the use of the Corporation the ground above Mentioned, your Committee having had an interview with Commodore Chauncey, and as they could not agree on the value of the ground with the Damages, they were of opinion that the best course would be to refer the whole business to arbitratqrs, which Commodore Chauncey agreed to, your Committee appointing on the part of the Corporation Mʳ John Targee, Commodore Chauncey appointing Peter Schermerhorn Jr and those Two appointed Mʳ Charles King the third Person, who have unanimously agreed and signed the award.

That the Corporation shall pay to Commodore Chauncey Three Hundred and Twenty One Dollars Twenty Nine Cents in full for the Land taken as before Mentioned and the cost of the Stone Fence forming the boundary between the Lands of the Corporation and Commodore [154] Chauncey

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, that upon Commodore Chauncey ceding to the Corporation the ground mentioned in the above Report that the Comptroller Report a Warrant to this board in favor of Commodore Chauncey for Three Hundred and Twenty One Dollars Twenty Nine Cents in full for the Land so ceded, and also for the Cost of the Stone Fence forming the boundary between the Lands of the Corporation and Commodore Chauncey

Respectfully Submitted
Thoˢ S Townsend
John P Anthony
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Canal Committee to whom had been referred a petition from the Inhabitants of Thames & Cedar Street for a drain reported

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Inhabitants of Thames and Cedar Streets [155] requesting that a

drain may be made in each of those Streets in order that the Water which inundates their cellars, and renders them useless and unhealthy may be carried off, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved, that a sewer be made in Thames Street, and in Cedar Street from Lumber Street to the River, and that the Street Commissioner carry the same into effect

George B Thorp
Francis Cooper
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and the Street Commissioner reported an ordinance agreeably thereto which was passed.

The Watch Committee on the Petition for a Watchman at Varick and Canal Street reported

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Inhabitants in the vicinity of Varick and Canal Streets praying that an additional Watchman may be placed in that vicinity have had the subject under consideration, [156] and have had a conference with the Captains of the Watch in that district, who are of opinion that an additional Watch is necessary at that place, the Committee are of opinion, that the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted and offer the following Resolution

Resolved, that an additional Watch be stationed in the vicinity of varick and Canal Streets and that the clerk give the Necessary Notice to the Captains of said Watch

Asa Mann
Francis Cooper
Chas Town
John Bingham
Abr Valentine

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Consideration of a Law respecting vessels lying at Coenties Slip Reported

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the draft of a Law respecting vessels [157] lying at Coenties Slip, and for other purposes beg leave most respectfully to Report That your Committee have had the subject under their consideration and are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to pass the said Law at this time

inasmuch as it may interfere with the present Contractor of the Public Wharves Piers and Slips, and they are also of the opinion that there is Law enough already on that subject, therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that in the opinion of the Committee it is inexpedient to pass the said Law

Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
Thos S Townsend
J Hammond

which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Lamp Committee to whom had been referred the Petition of the Lamp Lighters reported

The Lamp Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Lamp Lighters praying for an increase of Wages

[158] Report, that they have duly considered the prayer of the Petitioners and are of the opinion, that the present pay allowed them is a reasonable and fair Compensation for the Services rendered and time occupied in lighting the City, The Committee are the more impressed with this belief from the numerous applications before them soliciting to be made lamp lighters no less than Twenty Petitions of this kind are now in their possession, all recommending the applicants as qualified for the situation the[y] Solicit, Hence it may be inferred that no difficulty will at any time arise in obtaining men at the present prices, under these Circumstances your Committee feel themselves justified in offering the following Resolution

Resolved that the Prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted

Wm H Ireland
B Crane
Jno P Anthony

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[159] The Special Committee to whom had been referred to enquire into the expediency of uniting in One Person the office of Counsel and Attorney Reported

The Committee appointed to enquire into the propriety of Combining in one Person the offices of Counsel and Attorney and making the same a Salary Office Report, that they have had the subject before them and after examining and duly Considering the same are finally of opinion that the Public would derive no essential benefit by a measure of this kind, They however, on investigating the Expenses attending

the opening Widening and straightening of Streets and avenues have no hesitation in saying, that they believe the pay allowed to the Several persons engaged therein, will bear a considerable Reduction, and still liberally compensate them for their Services rendered under this impression and with a view of placing the power of controlling and regulating these expenses in the hands of the Board, where, in the opinion of this Committee they ought to be placed the following resolution is offered for consideration

[160] Resolved that an application be made to the honourable the Legislature for a Law authorizing the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council Convened from time to time to regulate, fix and establish the fees and Compensation of the Commissioners Attorneys and Councellors at Law, Surveyors, Collectors and every other person and persons employed in and about the opening laying out, widening, straightening or extending of any Street lane Road, highway Public Square or avenue in the City of New York, and the same from time to time to alter at their discretion and to audit all and every account relating thereto

Wm H. Ireland
M. Gelston
B. Crane
Asa Mann
J. Hammond

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

A Letter from Joseph Bouchaud [161] as Agent for the Estate of Joseph Thebaud Decd requesting that his name to a Petition for altering the line of Beekman Street from that first agreed on be erased from said Petition, he after further reflection preferring the first line laid out, was read

The Street Committee to whom had been referred the subject of Continuing Beekman Street to the East River together with the documents in relation thereto presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of continuing Beekman Street to the East River together with the Documents in relation thereto

Report, that they have given the subject their most deliberate and careful attention, as well the proceedings of former Committees, as the various opinions of Persons whose Property will be affected thereby, and also the several plans of the contemplated improvement

Your Committee do not think the one now acting upon by the

Commissioners of estimate and assessment [162] is the best calculated to answer the purpose thereby intended—they have also carefully examined the straight or Easterly line so called which commences at the House of Abraham S Hallett on Beekman st, and extends to the South Westerly corner of the property of Ann Byvanck on South st. this plan your committee abandoned as being too expensive and the ground obtained thereby not required for public accomodation—The attention of your committee was next directed in pursuit of a plan which would be attended with the least expense when compared with the advantages to be acquired thereby and such a one Your committee think they have obtained by adopting what may be termed a middle Line and may be described as follows beginning at the house of Abraham S Hallet on Beekman st and extending thence in a direct line to the Southwesterly corner of the house of Samuel Thompson on the Northerly side of Water Street thence to the Northwesterly corner of the property of Eliza Underhill thence along the westerly line thereof to South Street, the Westerly line to commence at a point on Pearl street opposite the South easterly corner of the House of Benj[n] Corlies thence through the property of the Heirs of M[r] Crommeline to the South Easterly [163] corner of the House of Peter Schermerhorn on Water Street thence along Water street to the westerly side of Crane wharf Street and thence to South street. By this plan the public will be accommodated with a Street or Area of Eighty seven feet wide along the market and extending to water Street, and a street averaging more than Forty feet to Pearl Street.

In making choice of this plan your committee have not been unmindful of the city Finances on the one hand and public accommodation on the other, and although the plan adopted by your committee may seem to cost more than the one now in the hands of commissioners yet when it is considered the public will obtain ground of more than four times in value of the difference of expence of the two plans Your committee believe that it will be "Economy, as well as" utility to adopt the plan proposed

The following Schedule will give in the opinion of your committee a pretty accurate Estimate of the cost and difference of the two plans

The old line now in the hands of Commissioners will cost—say....	$77.534.32
The line proposed by your committee will cost say.....	$109.084.32
[164] The corporation will pay for one third of Buildings on the old line	$4.500.
Assessment on Market ground say 1/10 of whole expense.....	$3.876.
	$8.376.00

The line proposed by your committee ⅓ of Buildings say.....	$7,950.
Assessment on Market ground.....	$5,454.
	$13.404.
Old line	8.376.
Making a difference of expence to the corporation of only.....	$5,028.00

And for which the public gain the Quantity of ground as above stated of more than four times the value of the difference of expence.

Your Committee think it unnecessary to add more for the information of the Corporation and beg leave to offer the following resolutions which they recommend for the adoption of the board

1st Resolved that the plan for opening and extending Beekman Street to the East river as now acting upon by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment be so modified as to conform to the following resolutions,

[165] 2nd Resolved that the plan proposed in the foregoing report and as therein described for opening and extending Beekman street to the East river be adopted

3d Resolved that the commissioners for Opening and extending Beekman Street to the East river be requested to discontinue their proceedings therein

4th Resolved that the counsel to this Board take the necessary measures to carry into effect the plan proposed in the foregoing report for opening and extending Beekman Street to the East River,

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
George B Thorp.

The question being taken on agreeing to the first resolution it was carried in the affirmative the ayes and noes having been requested by Mr Crane were as follows

Ayes Aldn Townsend, Gelston, Anthony, Mann, Thorp, and Hammond Messrs Valentine. Parker, Thorn, Cooper 11

Noes Aldn Wyckoff Bingham Emmons Messrs Bolton, Ireland, Crane Town Mead 8

The remainder of the resolutions were also adopted

The Street committee to whom was referred [166] the petition for paving Grand St reported the following Viz.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons praying that Grand Street may be paved opposite the Lots corner of Grand and Mercer Street Report, that they have viewed the

premises and are of the opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution,

Resolved that Grand Street be paved and the side walks laid from the Easterly side of mercer Street to Grand Street or so much thereof as is not already done

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted & the St. Comr reported an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed.

The Same committee on the petition for paving Clark street reported the following Viz

The Street committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons to have Clark Street Paved from Broome to Spring Street

Report that in their opinion the Street ought [167] to be paved but that owing to the lateness of the Season it will be necessary to postpone it untill the ensuing Spring and offer the following resolution accordingly

Resolved that the paving of Clark Street be postponed to the ensuing Spring

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The committee on Finance to whom had been referred the petition of Hugh Smith reported Vizt

The Finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of Hugh Smith seeking compensation for having paved Hubert Street from St Johns Lane to chapel St. in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and twenty on which there is due him the sum of Two hundred and sixty seven dollars eighteen cents The persons liable to pay this sum having made default it is necessary that sales should be made in order to collect the same The committee recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the foregoing balance be paid

(Signed) J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
B. Crane
Chas Town
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[168] The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the remonstrance of E R Jones & others against Assessment for paving Front Street, reported Viz[t]

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Edward R Jones & others remonstrating against the confirmation of an Assessment "For regulating and repaving Front St. from West of Dover St. to East of Roosevelt St principally on the ground that it was done to abate a nuisance located on Public Property and therefore (in their opinion) it ought to have been a public charge And further, that as the premises had been paved & put in good order within 3 years at the expence of the owners of property in its vicinity they consider the recent alteration unnecessary and the assessment unreasonable and unjust and solicit relief in the premises

Report That they have had this subject under consideration and find from an examination of the Assessment complained of that the public property has been assessed its full proportion of the expence for regulating & repaving as above Stated and that instead of the premises having been regulated and paved within 3 years it appears with the exception of some trifling repairs that it has not been paved or repaved within 12 Years and that from the lowness of [169] its situation it was absolutely necessary to raise it in order to carry off the water.

The committee are Satisfied that the Assessment has been made on principles which usually govern in similar cases, and are decidedly of opinion that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners and that the Assessment ought to be confirmed And respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution Resolved that the Assessment " For regulating and repaving Front St. from West of Dover Street to East of Roosevelt St. be and the same is hereby confirmed (Signed) by the Committee

Which was approved and the Assessment confirmed and Noah Jarvis appointed collector

The same committee to*n* whom was referred the petition of James Clark & of Stephen Wright reported

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of James Clark & Stephen Wright remonstrating against *for* paving the intersection of Division Arundel & Clinton Streets

Report that on examination of the Assessment complained of it appears it was confirmed on the 29[th] of October and that part of the money is already collected Your Committee are therefore of opinion

that it would be inexpedient to grant [170] the prayer of the petitioners, and respectfully recommend the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) Cha^{s} Town, Cha^{n}
John B Anthony
William Thorn
John Bingham

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Market committee to whom was ref^{d} the Petition of James J Neale reported Viz.

Report of the Market committee to whom was referred the petition of James J Neil and John Smock, the former of the petitioners praying to be licensed as a Butcher for stand N^{o} 34. Catharine Market and now in the occupancy of the latter who wishes permission to transfer his Interest therein—As Your Committee perceive no objection to granting the prayer of the petitioners they are induced to offer the annexed resolutions

Resolved, that James J Niel be licensed as a butcher for Stand N^{o} 34 Catharine Market.

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff,
T. S. Townsend
M Gelston,
Cha^{s} Town,
I Emmons,

[171] Which was approved and he was licensed for Stall N^{o} 34 Catharine Market

The same committee on the Petition of Sundry persons for the appointment to the office of Deputy Clerk of Fulton Market presented the following report Viz^{t}

The Market committee to whom was referred the petitions of Isaac C Loper, W^{m} Eaton James D Bissett Peter Ammerman George Harsin and Ezra Frost praying to be appointed to the office of Deputy clerk of Fulton market Report,

That they have had the subject under consideration and recommend Ezra Frost as the most suitable person to fill the said office and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that Ezra Frost be and he is hereby appointed deputy clerk of Fulton Market

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston
Chas Town
Isaac Emmons

Which was read—a recommendation from the Butchers in favor of J Munro was also read. A motion was made to strike out the word "Fulton, as the name of the market which was negatived the resolution was agreed [172] to in the words following" and Ezra Frost was appointed Deputy clerk of said Market.

A Resolution was presented and agreed to as follows. "Resolved that Peter Ammerman be and he is hereby appointed Deputy clerk of the several Markets under the charge of Ezra Frost and that he take charge of said markets, whenever the market Committee shall direct.

A Law for regulating Fulton Market was reported by the same committee the consideration of which was postponed and was directed to be printed for the use of the members

Alderman Wyckoff presented a resolution directing a reference to the committee on application to the Legislature to enquire into the expediency of applying for A Law to authorise the Corporation to seize and forfeit in a summary way all articles offered for sale in the markets short in weight or measure or unmerchantable which was referred to the said committee accordingly

Alderman Hammond presented a resolution on the subject of procuring a supply of pure and wholesome water for the City the [173] consideration of which was postponed and it was directed to be printed for the use of the members

The Recorder presented the following. "Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be instructed to take measures to cause the public Sewers to be thouroughly cleansed as soon as may be practicable and for the above purpose to obtain the labor of the convicts who may be confined in the penitentiary which was adopted, and the Canal commee were requested to make provision for the safe keeping and maintenance of the convicts while so employed under the advice of the counsel of the board.

Aldermen Emmons presented a resolution that all repairs hereafter to be made which will cost fifty dollars be submitted to the Board which was laid on the table

The Law respecting the assize of bread was called up and the further consideration postponed

The Comptroller reported

1821 Novr 27th Balance in the Treasury 12 inst.....	31.52
Loan of Mechanics Bank on deed 14th inst.....	10.000.
Tax of 1821 1st 2nd 3 5. 7. Wards.....	14800.
[174] Rents	8840.73
Streets	1457.50
Excise	647.
Arrears of taxes.....	500.
Mayoralty fees	296.75
Justices Courts	211.46
Commutation Alien Passengers.....	95.
Wells & Pumps.....	50.
	36.929.96

47 Accounts Audited

Arthur Burtis Supt alms ordered and issued 14th inst.....	10000.
Leek and Walton Watch 1st District.....	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark Do 2nd	645.75
Bleakly [&] Brower Do 3d	414.75
G. N Bleecker Compr 1. Qr 15 Inst.....	437.50
R. Graves Salary as Assistant St Comr 2½ months to 15th of October	281.25
Jacob P Roome Supt of Repairs 1. Qr 14 inst.....	250.
Wm S Smith collector of City revenue 1. Qr 22nd Inst and Expences	219.
Talman J Waters Clerk in Comptrollers office 1. Qr 24 inst.	200.
Thomas Franklyn Chf Engineer 1. Qr 28th inst.....	125.
B Skaats Keeper City Hall 1. Qr 24 Inst.....	100.
Samuel Hutchings St Inspector 1 month 1 Dec.....	52.50
Jonathan Pinckney Do " "	52.50
Abraham Ackerman Do " "	52.50
Wm J Waldron Assistant City Inspector.....	45.50
Obh Ayres Do	45.50
Austin and Cochran Messengers.....	52.
Collector of Taxes New Town Tax on Corporation land at Hurl Gate Ferry.....	2.04
B Skaats Keeper of City Hall Expenses 1. Qr 24 Int.....	113.85
Joseph Spencer Extra allowance for taking census 9th ward	50.
Haydock and Jenkins 11 casks of Oil.....	806.36
[175] Fish and Grinnel 6 casks of Oil.....	775.92
G Snethen Supers lighting Lamps 1 mo. 1st Decr.....	738.35
J. Hopson Special Justices 1. Qr Salary 6th inst.....	187.50
Josiah Hedden Do " " "	187.50
Henry Abell Do " " "	187.50
Geo. B Rapalye Clerk " " "	187.50
R Stephens Assist Do " " "	200.

T Houman [Z. Homan] Junr attending at New Slip markt Three sundays	6.	
Thomas Lovett acct pavg Division from Arundl to Grand..	400.	
Alexander H Mooney Acct regulating Lispenard from Church to Bdway	280.	
H Smith bal regg and Paving Hubert St from Chapel to St Johns Lane	267.18	
Higgins & Parks Acct regg Lombardy from Clintn to Walnt St.	150.	
J Wallace Acct Sewer in Batavia St	130.	
James Meghan balance repaving Harman St Chatham Square intersection	108.82	
James Wallace Acct Sewer in James St	100.	
C Mooney bal. repavg rose St fr Pearl to Duane	48.90	
Abraham Russel Acct Inspr of Sewers in James. Batavia & Oak St	18.	
Cantine and Leak advertizing Sales for Taxes	10.62	
Legrand Jarvis Survey Maps of Center Grand and Essex Markets	10.	
Geo Charlton 1st payt on Well in Broome St	26.28	
R Pettigrew do " " in Willett	26.10	
Geo Charlton balance on Do in Spring	18.	
Philetas Woodruff on account Carpenter Work Fulton market	5000.	
H Smith Filling in at Fulton Market	310.50	
Jacob P Roome Supt of repairs repg	1300.	
John Fleming Treasr to pay dividends on City stock 1st inst. on account	11,000.	36,623.42
Balance		$306.54

Board adjourned

[176] In Common Council Decemr 10th 1821

Present The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldn	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abr. Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H. Ireland
John P Anthony	Benjn Crane
John Bingham	Charles Town
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorne
Isaac Emmons	Francis Cooper
George B Thorp	Gerard De Peyster
Judah Hammond	Henry Mead

The Minutes of Last meeting were read and approved

A petition of John Cornell was received stating that he had made a contract for the delivery of a number of Trees of certain dimensions to be placed in the park that he had offered to the committee the number of Trees though not of the required dimension and praying the corporation will receive [177] *receive* the same at a fair valuation whereupon the same was referred to the committee on Public Lands & Places with authority

A Petition of Lawrence and Snethen was received requesting permission to use the East End of Water St. for about six weeks for the purpose of hauling up a Steam boat thereon for repair which was referred to the Street Com^{r} with authority to grant the request

A petition of a committee from the City Watch praying an encrease of their pay was read and referred to the Watch committee.

A petition of the captains, Assistants, & Watchmen of the city watch was received stating that from their official situation they are frequently bound to attend the Gen'l Sessions & the Grand Juries as witnesses which is attended with great loss of time and expense to them and praying some provision may be made on the subjects, which was referred to the watch Com^{ee}

A memorial was received from Henry Eckford and others complaining that boats carrying stone to market, frequent Gouverneurs Slip, which has been set apart for a Hay Slip that the unloading of boats at that Slip is greatly [178] inconvenient and hazardous to the Hay cartmen and they therefore pray that the Stone boats be removed to some other place which was referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition from Richard Smith for the appoint^{t} of Street inspector or some other office under the board was referred to the committee on Applications

A petition of Paul M P Durando for relief from a Personal Tax laid on him in the sixth ward he having been assessed and paid a tax in the fourth ward was referred to the committee on Assessments with authority to grant the relief.

A petition from Jacob Van Nostrand stating that he has been under the necessity of removing a house through the streets without having previously received permission therefor and has thereby incurred a penalty and soliciting that the penalty may be remitted to him which being read was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Henry Eckford representing the necessity of repairing the dock forming Stanton St Slip was referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[179] A memorial was received from the managers of the society for the Prevention of Pauperism calling the attention of the corporation to the situation of the numerous intelligence offices established in the city They consider them from the numbers they collect in them as nurseries of Idleness and vice and frequently under the appearance of recommending to employment a mean of assignation and Procurement, And as persons employed in families are considerably under their direction & control they are of opinion they should be an object of Municipal Regulation they therefore recommend that a system should be adopted of licensing them in the same manner as Pawn brokers & venders of second hand clothing. Whereupon the same was referred to the committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A petition from the measurers of Grain Complaining of the late act of the Legislature reducing their fees and praying the corporation to make application for a law to be enacted restoring to them their former fees. *which* was referred to the same committee.

A memorial from the loaf bread bakers of the city remonstrating against that part of the proposed law regulation[g] the Sale of bread which directs the same [180] to be marked with the weights and initials of the owners name; was read and laid on the table untill the law on that subject was called up

A petition of Valentine Merkle to be licensed as a Butcher was referred to the Market committee,

A petition of Charles Byrnes was received stating that formerly being an auctioneer of the city he obtained permission from the corporation to sell at auction in the street at Chatham square that having been removed from office & having articles to sell at auction he prayed that such auctioneer as he might employ might be permitted to sell under the same priviledges and restrictions as were formerly granted to him which being read was referred to the Street committee

A petition of Benjamin Watson register of dogs was received stating that he has registered the last year 213 dogs and has received therefore $659 that he is only allowed by law 30 per cent on said sum so collected which he considers a compensation wholly inadequate to his time and trouble and praying that he may be permitted to retain for [181] his services the above sum collected by him—which was referred to the Police Committee

A petition of Marinus Willett was received stating that the slip or Basin at the foot of Delancy street was injured by the late storm & required repairs & requested that the same might be examined & what

was necessary for to render it fit for public accommodation should be done which was referred to the com^ee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A request was received from The Police Justices that the sum of $25 might be paid for expense of conveying two police officers in a pilot boat on a very tempestuous day for the purpose of apprehending a captain Whales charged with having passed counterfeit bills of the Middle district Bank—Which was ref^d to the Police committee with powers.

A petition of Gershom Mills stating that he was a Watchman and having been crippled while on duty he was assigned to a post at the Bridewell yard and complaining that *that* he had been removed from his station as a watchman was read and referred to the Com^ee on Charity

A petition from a number of Inhabitants complaining of the want of room for vessels at the Public basin [182] near Washington Market & praying that a public Slip or basin may be established between Murray and Warren Streets. Also a Petition to the same effect from the owners & Masters of vessels navigating the north river were read and referred to the committee on Wharves &c.

A petition of Fire Engine Company N° 1 Stationed at the Hay scales near the north river complaining of inconveniences attending that situation & praying the Engine House may be removed to some more convenient place & mentioning as such the small square formed by the junction of Hudson, Reade Chamber and Chapple streets which was referred to the committee on the Fire department.

A Petition of Comfort Sands praying that a former memorial from him respecting a water grant at Brooklyn which was referred to a committee but not reported upon may be now referred to another committee Whereupon the same was referred to the finance committee

A Remonstrance from John R Livingston & others against the assessment for paving and laying the Curb stone and Gutter stone in Grand street was referred to the Street Committee

[183] A Memorial of the Humane Society soliciting pecuniary Aid was presented and referred to the committee on Charity.

A memorial was received from the directors of the N. Y. Eye infirmary stating that an institution had been founded in this city for the cure of indigent persons afflicted with blindness & other diseases of the Eye under the above name, that the institution has now gone into compleat operation and the number of cases presented to them far exceeded any idea which they had formed of it—that there had been

Eleven hundred persons under the care of the institution—that their funds arising from the voluntary contributitions of Individuals are wholly inadequate to the calls of the afflicted upon their care and they therefore respectfully request the patronage and the aid of the corporation whereupon the same was referred to the committee of Charity

A petition of John Knapp was received stating that he had at his own expense sunk a well and placed a pump therein in 12th Street near Fort Gansevoort that said well accommodated the families in the neighbourhood—that he is desirous the corporation should receive the said well from him and make it a public well repaying the sum of $97 50/100 which the same has cost him Whereupon the same was referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

[184] A petition was received from David S Jones & others stating that they are owners of Lots on Great Jones Street & on Bond St. & praying that the Southerly side of G. Jones St and the northerly side of Bond St, should have the curbstone layed and be flagged six feet in width from the Curbstone was read and referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Jacob Fisher to be licensed as a Butcher was referred to the Market committee

An invitation from the society for the prevention of Pauperism in the city of new York to attend their Anniversary meeting at the city Hotel on Monday next at 7 oclock P. M. was presented & Resolved that the invitation be accepted

A letter was received from Richard Furman addressed to the Mayor in which he offers to take upon certain terms the Pin Manufactory at the Alms House established by Mr Haynes whereupon the same was referred to the commissioners of the Alms House.

A motion was made that the same should be referred to them with authority was negatived the Ayes and Noes having been called by Aldn Mann were as follows

[185] Negative Aldn Anthony, McQueen, Mann, Emmons, Hammond Messs Bolton, Crane, Parker, Thorn, Cooper, Mead 12

Affirmative Aldn Wyckoff, Townsend Gelston, Bingham, Thorp, Messrs Valentine Ireland Town. 8.

It was resolved that the commrs be requested to report at the next meeting of the Board.

His Honor the Mayor made a communication of considerable length calling the attention of the Board to a subject he considered of much importance in a financial point of view and which required some

fixed principle to be established in order that future expences may be provided for either by assessing the amount on property benefitted or by adding an Item to the taxes that may cover the Disbursement. The subject alluded to was the large amount drawn from the Treasury for regulating and working the Avenues particularly the 3d avenue and he proposed the subject should be referred to the commee on Applications to the Legislature whereupon the same was referred to that committee

The following persons were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Supply Engine Company No 1

Ernest Kenyon Ve Jacob Smith Resd

[186] No 17

Benton W Halsey, V, Thomas C Hawley decd

No 19

James B Peffers, V, Richard Van Voorhes Resd

No 29

Josiah F Crane, V, Daniel Weed Resid

The Street Comr presented a return of Delinquents on Assessments for Well & Pump in Allen near Delancy Street & for a Well & pump in Banker between Pike & Rutgers Streets—and Warrants were ordered to issue to the collectors for collecting the same.

He also presented three Assessment[s] which were confirmed the same having been advertised and no objections made to either Viz for a well and pump in Willet between Rivington and Stanton Sts and Morris De Camp appd Collector—for Well and Pump in Broome near mercer St. and John G Betts appointed collector and for paving side walks in Arundel St between Division St, and Grand St & Noah Jarvis appd collector

The city Inspector reported a Nuisance fronting on Mott St. between Broome [187] & Spring Streets owned by an Absentee and he recommended that the nuisances be corrected at public expense to remain a Lien on the Lot which was approved and he was directed to cause the same to be done

He also presented the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances which was passed

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz.

N°	1	T. P Healy	Occupant	6	Depeyster St	A Privy
	2	S Thompson	do	10	Liberty	do
	3	G Alcock	do	49	D°	do
	4	C Reynolds	do	28	Pine	do
	5	G Suckly	do	48	"	do
	6	Harrington & Rockwell	do	142	Front	do
	7	G Post.	do	150	"	do
	8	C Dennison	do	12	Cedar	do
	9	C Bogert	do	14	"	do
	10	J W Palmer	do	15	"	do
	11	I Greenwood	do	130	Front	do
	12	M Van Allen	do	30	Pine	do
	13	S Boyd	do	32	"	do
	14	D Periam	do	36	"	do
	15	H Wheaton	do	42	"	do
	16	Proctor & Mathers	do	65	"	do
	17	A Spooner	do	69	"	do
	18	J C Dillon	do	116	Fly Market	do
	19	[188] J. C. Dillon	do	118	D°	do
	20	L Neill	do	120	D°	do
	21	Mrs M Lebreton	do	124	do	do
	22	A Peacokk	do	126	do	do
	23	M Byrnes	do	128	"	do
	24	G. Haight	do	134	do	do
	25	N Philips	do	55	William St	do
	26	R Williams	do	57	do	do
	27	R Bunn	do	60	do	do
	28	R. Flanagan	do	62	do	do
	29	D McDonald	do	68	"	do
	30	H Thacker	do	70	"	do
	31	J Inglis	do	72	"	do
	32	Mrs Wilkes	do	21	Wall St	do
	33	A Underhill	do	29	do "	do
	34	W J [Van] Wagenen	do	56	do "	do
	35	P L Mills & Co	do	58	" "	do
	36	Z Lewis	do	60	do	do
	37	W. C. Hall	do	62	" "	do
	38	Hamilton & Burgess	do	90	" "	do
	39	D Bethune & Co.	do	92	" "	do
	40	Robertson, Kelso & Co	do	94 & 96	Water St.	do
	41	R McMenony	do	120	"	do
	42	Wm Smith	do	126	"	do
	43	M Green	do	127	"	do
	44	L Salles	do	136	"	do
	45	Geo. Astor	do	144	"	do
	46	J M Loyd	do	146	"	do
	47	S Travis	do	147	"	do

48	[189] T Rutter	Occupant	151	Water St.	A Privy
49	G Wolfe	do	30	maiden lane	do
50	J Morange	do	44	do "	do
51	Mrs Lee	do	46	do	do
52	S Curtis	do	52	do	do
53	B Mestayer	do	56	do	do
54	E Baxter	do	78	do	do
55	J. B. Montgomery	do	80	do	do
56	J Stephens Junr	do	82	do	do
57	J Rogers	do	86	do	do
58	M Dexter	do	104	do	do
59	Smith McCall and Co.	do	174	do	do
60	C. O. Halsted	do	176	do	do
61	T Schiefflin	do	177	do	do
62	A Peck & Co	do	179	do	do
63	Burrall & Hoffman	do	181	do	do
64	Taylor & Sherman	do	183	do	do
65	J Collins	do	189	do	do
66	F Griswold	do	190	do	do
67	C Allen	do	191	do	do
68	J E Hyde	do	192	do	do
69	H H Schieffelin	do	193	do	do
70	Swan & Taylor	do	194	do	do
71	Joshh Ludlam	do	236	Church St	do
72	Robert Lenox	do	70	Pine St	do
73	B A Waldron	do	60	Orange St	do

(Signed) George Cuming
City Inspectors office Decr 10th 1821 city inspector

[190] The counsel presented for Execution a grant of a Water lot on the East river between 3d & 4th Streets to Henry Simmons Also the counterpart of a Lease from the Methodist Church for a piece of ground for the site of an Engine House in Eldridge St which was directed to be duly executed

The Comptroller presented the following Vizt

The Comptroller respectfully informs the board that Robert R Hunter wishes to pay a Bond given by him to the corporation on the 14th of July 1818 with the interest that may remain due thereon amount of the principal Four thousand dollars As it is necessary that a satisfaction piece for cancelling the mortgage on record should be given at the time of payment, it is respectfully recommended that the seal and proper signatures thereto should be authorised by the Common Council.

(Signed) G. N. Bleecker Compr

Whereupon it was directed that the common Seal be affixed to the requisite papers.

The Market committee on the petition of John Ennis for Stall N° 7 Spring street market reported Viz[t]

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of John Ennis praying to be licensed as a butcher for stand N° 7 Spring street market [191] Report their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved that John Ennis be licensed as a butcher for stand N° 7 Spring Street market

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Isaac Emmons
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston
Chas. Town

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Alderman and Assistant of 1[st] Ward & St Commiss[r] to whom was referred the Petition of Catharine A New Bold reported Viz[t]

The Alderman and Assistant of the first ward and the street commiss[r] to whom was referred the petition of Mrs Catharine A Newbold praying permission to extend a Stoop which she is about erecting in front of her House N° 7 Broadway as far into the street as those above and below her Report, that they have examined the premises and perceive no public injury or inconvenience in granting the prayer of the petitioner they therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that Mrs C A Newbold be permitted to erect a stoop in Front of her house N° 7 Broad way under the direction of the Street commissioner

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Thomas Bolton
R Graves

[192] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Market committee presented for the consideration of the board the following terms as those under which they propose to lease the stands in the Fulton Market which were adopted and 500 copies directed to be printed for distribution

The Market committee recommend to the Consideration of the board the following terms as those under which they propose to Lease the stands in Fulton market Viz[t]

1[st] The stands shall be rented at Public auction on the 18[th] day of December instant at 11 oclock on the Premises

2[nd] No Person except a regular licensed butcher can be permitted to rent any of the said stands

3d The stands will be rented on a lease of 5 years from the first day of January next for the highest rent per annum they will bring: but no stand shall be disposed of at Less than one hundred dollars per annum

4th The rent of the said stands shall be paid quarterly in advance as follows: the first payment to be made on the first day of January next the second on the first day of april thereafter the third on the first day of July thereafter and the fourth on the first day of November following said payments to be made at the [193] times aforesaid in each and every year during the continuance of the Lease

5th Should default be made on any of the aforesaid payments and the rent remain unpaid Ten days after it shall become due the stand on which such default is made shall revert to the Corporation and the Lease for the same be null and void

6 The persons renting the aforesaid stands are to be exempt from the payment of all fees for permitted articles sold at the same

7 No stand can be transferred from one person to another except by a written permit from the common council and no person can sell at any stand except the one for which he is licensed

8 The stalls to be placed on the aforesaid stand must be made agreably to the directions of the Market committee

9 Every person who may rent any of the aforesaid stands shall in all things conform to the rules and regulations prescribed by the ordinances of the corporation which now are in force or which may hereafter be passed for regulating and governing the said Market and also to the provisions and conditions of the lease to be given, a copy of which may be examined by those concerned at the City Hall Comptrollers office,

Resolved that the Market committee be authorised to Lease the butchers stands in Fulton market subject to the above terms and conditions

(Signed) H J Wyckoff
T. S. Townsend.
M Gelston.
Chas Town.

[194] The Ferry committee to whom was referred a complaint of Hugh McCormick against the proprietors of the Steam Boat at Paules Hook for improper detention reported as follows.

The committee on Ferries to whom was referred a communication from Mr Hugh McCormick complaining of a detention at the Paules Hook ferry on 17 August 1821 Report,

That they have had before them Charles Graham Esq[r] one of the committee of the Jersey company. Mr Rhynd the Superintendant and the Ferry master who state that Mr M[c]Cormick was unavoidably detained on the day which he Mentions in consequence of one of their Steam boats and some of the other Boats being under repair, that on that day it was very difficult for the Sail Boats to get to the Ferry Stairs owing to the very high wind, and that the ferry master who of course best understands the management of the ferry, was at that time Sick, Mr Graham states that all the boats are in good order and on the ferry except one which is under repair and will be ready in a few days so that there will in [195] future be no cause of complaint against the Company for any detention which they can possibly avoid

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Thomas S Townsend
John P Anthony
Asa Mann

Which was directed to be filed

The Street committee on the Report of the City Inspector of a nuisance in Eldridge Street reported, Viz[t]

The Street committee to whom was referred the ordinance reported by the City Inspector relative to a nuisance fronting on Eldridge St[t] and Forsyth St, adjoining the Dutch church burial ground Respectfully report.

That they have had the same under consideration and from the representations made to them by the city Inspector they are of opinion that the said Nuisance ought to be corrected and offer the following resolution Resolved that the annexed ordinances be adopted

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
George B Thorp

Which was adopted and the ordinances passed

[196] Alderman Wyckoff presented the following

Resolved, that his Honor the Mayor be authorised to license such Butchers as may be recommended to him by the Market committee previous to the next meeting of the board

Which was adopted

He also presented the following which was adopted Resolved that, the Market committee be authorised to lease at Public auction for

such term and at such time as they shall judge proper the Cellars under and the Fish and Hucksters stands in the Fulton Market.

He also presented the following which was agreed to Resolved that the Committee on Public offices be directed to enquire and report the cause of the delay of the printing ordered by the board

The law respecting the Sale of Bread was called up—the Memorial of the loaf bread Bakers was read—the law was read by paragraphs, amended, and agreed to and passed under the title of a "Law to regulate the Manufacture and Sale of Bread"—it was resolved that a special meeting be called on thursday next at 5 o clock P. M.

[197] Comptroller reported

Balance in Treasury 27th Novr	$306.54	
Recd for Tax of 1821 1. 2. 3. 9. 10 wards	8995.	
" Streets	1801.04	
" Rents	1268.65	
" Justices courts	526.41	
" Wells & Pumps	108.	
" Fines from Sheriff	38.	
Loans of Mechanic Bank balance authorised 27th Novr 1820	3000.	16.043.64

60 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st district	$1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d "	414.75
S. Allen. Esqr Mayor 1. Qr Salary 12 inst	750.
Geo Cumming City inspector 1. Qr do 1st inst	200.
J McComb late St comr 1.½ mo to 15th Octobr	188.87
Ogden Edward Counr 1. Qr 27 Novr	100.
Geo. Mills Assistant Board of Health 1 mo. 1 Inst	45.50
Benjn Hicks do " " "	45.50
Charles Gelman Keeper of battery	33.75
Andrew McCready Keeper of Park	33.75
Danl. H Magee " " Potters field	37.50
Richard Smith Clerk of Washin[g]ton Market	41.
John Brennan " Catharine Do	35.75
Ezra Frost Clerk 6 markets	33.50
John Vanderlyn bal. for Portrait of Prest	150.
A Moody refreshments 26 nov. Last	60.
Wm Gee Posting bills	37.50
John Curtis coach Hire	15.
Aldn Wyckoff attends Sessions 12 days	36.
Aldn Townsend " " "	36.
Aldn Gelston " " "	36.
Aldn Anthony " " "	36.
" Bingham " " "	36.
" McQueen " " "	36.

[198] Aldn Mann Attending Sessions 12 days.....	36.	
" Emmons " " "	36.	
" Thorp " " "	36.	
" Hammond " " "	36.	
Richd Hatfield Clerk sessions 1. Qr salary 2nd inst.....	500.	
M M Noah Sheriff to pay accounts ordered by Court for refreshments to jury in sundry trials.....	58.75	
B Skaats crier of court 1 Qr Salary. 2nd inst.....	25.	
R Hatfield clerk of Sessions to pay witnesses.....	24.	
George B Raymond for officers conveyg persons to Prison 1. Qr 1 Novr.....	166.	
J Hays for officers Extra services Police 1. Qr 1 novr....	129.	
J. Hays for officers conveying persons to penitenty.....	49.	
J. P. Roome and 5 other officers attens at Hall 26th of November	9.	
Robert Provoost repairing Lamps 1. mo 1st inst.....	92.81	
Thomas Lovett acct regulating Canal St.....	700.	
J. Culbert acct paving Canal St fr. BdWay to Church.....	150.	
O Edwards Counsel fees opening White St.....	106.42	
James Wallace Acct for Sewer in James St.....	100.	
Thomas Cumming acct. for regulg Herring st fr Carmr to Cris[topher] st.....	100.	
A H Mooney pavg 2nd Avenue fr North to 1st Street.....	51.80	
T Cumming in full for regug Jones St. fr Herring to Ludlow	62.25	
James Vincent repaving intersection of Washington and Canal	54.25	
John Williams repaving " " Catharine market...	2.37	
Reuben Ayres repairing damages at Courtlandt slip.....	16.12	
J. McComb. late St Comr money advanced to repay 2d advertising of reproperty redeemed.....	32.52	
Robert Pettigrew 1 paymt Well in St John Lane.....	14.76	
Geo. Charlton bal. for Well in Beach nr Varick.....	19.22	
Henry Voorhis bal. for Well in Beach near Varick St.....	48.37	
John F Gardner bringing Manhattan water to Fulton market	147.14	
Sayre & Force Repairing Engr No 26.....	32.50	
Thomas Franklin Chf Engr foor wood for Fire department	166.87	
Jacob P Roome Supt repairs for Engr House.....	875.	
[199] Benjn Birdsall acct Iron fence at the Park.....	2500.	
J Hammond Esqr Treasr Bd of Health.....	500.	
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House.....	4800.	15.938.22
Balance.....		$105.62

Board adjourned

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[201] Special Meeting In Common Council Dec^{r} 13th 1821

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abraham Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H Ireland
John P Anthony	Benjn Crane
Isaac Emmons	Chas Town
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	

His Honor the Mayor stated that the intention of this meeting was to take into consideration the Law to regulate Fulton market. the Law was accordingly read by paragraphs amended & passed under the title of "a law to regulate Fulton market and for other purposes" it was referred to the attorney to examine and correct any verbal [202] errors therein

The law to regulate the manufacture and sale of bread passed at the last meeting was reconsidered and amended by striking out the words and" in the second section following the words "into loaves of one two, and instead thereof the word or and the same in the 2nd and 3^{d} Section after the words into loaves of any other size than of one two" and was reenacted thus amended and under the same title

The commissioners of the Alms House to whom had been referred the proposal of Richard Furman respecting the Pin manufactory at the Alms House presented a report which was referred to a Special committee with authority to carry the same into effect The committee were M^{r} Cooper Aldn Anthony Wyckoff Thorp and Mr Ireland

A petition from George Manalt—David Seaman Danl Winship—George Messerve Danl Winship Jun^{r} Joseph O Bogert N Lansing Ferris, Elnathan Underhill Albert Fisher Nathan^{l} Underhill Cornelius Schuyler William Forster John D Craw Buck and John Drake as Ex^{r} of the Estate of John Pell dec^{d} was received stating that the corporation in the year 1796 caused 14 new Stands in the Fly market to be sold in perpetuity at auction & that they were purchased by the Petitioners or those [203] from whom the petitioners have bought them—that they understand the corporation intend pulling down and removing said market against which they protest and request that no measures be taken therein untill a compensation is made to Petitioners for the loss which they will incur by the removal of said market

Whereupon the same was referred to the Market committee

A Petition of Martin Lemon for License as a Butcher was referred to the same committee

Mr Cooper presented the following resolution which Resolved that the resolution passed by this board relative to disposing of the butchers stands in the Fulton market on the 18th instant be suspended The question thereon and the Ayes and Noes being called by Mr Cooper the members voted as follows

Negative Aldn Wyckoff, Townsend, Gelston, Anthony, Emmons, Messrs Bolton, Crane, Ireland Town.

Affirmative Messrs Valentine, Cooper.

So it passed in the Negative

The St committee to whom was referred the Petition of David S Jones & others respecting paving G. Jones St & Bond Street reported Viz

The Street committee to whom was referred [203½] the petition of David S Jones and others praying that an ordinance may be passed directing the setting of the Curb Stone and flagging the side walk on the Southerly side of great Jones street and northerly side of Bond Street Report, that they have had the subject under consideration and are of opinion that their request ought to be granted and offer the following resolution Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted

(Signed) Francis Cooper
H. J. Wyckoff
W. H Ireland

which was approved and the St Comr reported an ordinance therefore which was passed and Francis Peckwell John Brower and John Bedient appointed assessors

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised under the direction of the Finance committee to borrow on the credit of this corporation Thirty thousand dollars and at an interest not exceeding 6 per cent per annum

Resolved that the building Committee of Fulton Market be authorised to purchase for the use of said market a bell and that they cause the same to be hung

Resolved that 200 copies of a law to regulate Fulton market and for other purposes (in addition to the number usually ordered) be printed for [204] the use of the Butchers of said market. and that each butcher who shall have a stand therein be furnished with one copy

A resolution was presented by Ald. Hammond directing that all laws which shall be passed shall be printed in Pamphlet form was read and the consideration postponed

A note from the society for preventing pauperism was received mentioning that seats would be reserved for the members of the Common Council at the Anniversary meeting on the 17th instant

Resolved that the St Commr be authorised to expend the sum of $200 in completing the Pavement of Fulton Street

Board adjourned

[205] In Common Council Decr 24th 1821

Present The Honble Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abrm Valentine
Maltby Gelston	William H Ireland
John P Anthony	Benjn Crane
John Bingham	Charles Town
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Isaac Emmons	Francis Cooper
George B Thorp	Henry Mead
Judah Hammond	

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Special meeting were [read] and approved

His Honor the Mayor stated that a subpoena from the court of Chancery dated the 18th December addressed to the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the city of New York directing them to appear in said court on the 28th Decr [206] to answer to a bill of complaint exhibited against them by Abijah Hammond, had been served upon him that day

Whereupon it was directed that the counsel enter the appearance of the corporation to said suit

The following Petitions were presented from the following persons for Licenses as Butchers in the city Vizt Isaac R Stryker Saml G Aldridge E de Forest George Messerve, S Cornell H Collins C Geary Thomas Moon. Wm Graham J B Dominick Jacob Siler Cornelius Hartell E. Ferris S Dennison & E B Messerve Which were referred to the Market committee

A Petition of Gilbert Haddin to be appointed an inspector of Firewood was read and referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Daniel C Fisher to be appointed Assistant to the city watch of the First district was referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition from Anna Bancker and others proprietors of Lots in 7th ward stating that that Section of the City would be greatly improved by preventing the erection of wooden [207] Buildings therein and praying that the Fire limits may be extended to include all the ground between the present limits and Clinton Street to the East, and to Hammond Street to the North including both sides of that Street to its intersection with Grand St. Whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature with a request that they would instruct the St Comr to cause the applications to be published in the papers employed by the board

A petition of George Harsin for appointment of measurer of Grain was referred to the committee on Applications

A Petition of J Benjamin for relief from a fine imposed on him for his Chimney taking fire the same having been swept but three days before its taking fire, was referred to the Commee on the Fire Department

A petition of Elias Hamilton that a license to keep an Inn or tavern may be granted him was referred to his Honor the Mayor

[208] A petition of Sundry Inhabitants of the 4th Ward was presented stating that the accommodations of James Slip are insufficient for the Market and other Vessels that frequent said Slip and praying that a pier may be run out in the centre of the basin between James Slip and Roosevelt Street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition from Samuel Jones David S Jones and William, Elbert and Thomas Jones by David S Jones was presented stating that their deceased father on the 20th day of February 1806—laid out his property between Broadway and the Bowery into city lots caused a map of said property to be made (which is now on file in the St. Commissioners office) and designated thereon a small street by the name of Cross Lane of the width of 20 feet that this was previous to the resolution of the Board that no street should be opened of less width than 30 feet that very considerable inconvenience is experienced by Petitioners and others Owners of Property on said street from its not being a public Street and they therefore pray that the corporation [209] would accept from them a cession of Sd Street Whereupon the same was referred to the Street Committee"

A Petition of Conrad Ritter for remission of fine incurred by not registering a dog was referred to the Police committee.

A Pet. from several inhabitants of Brooklyn praying to be furnished with a copy of the lease to the New York and Brooklyn steam Ferry boat company & of the Proceedings of the Common Council in relation to said Company in order that they may know what are the Priviledges of said company and the rights of individuals who cross at said ferry was read and referred to the Ferry Committee with authority to act in the premises as they should judge proper and correct

A petition of Sarah Stakes for remission of fines incurred by two Drivers of her Hackney coaches was referred to the Police committee

[210] A petition of William Speaight to be relieved from a bond given by him for the maintenance of a bastard child of one Hannah Smith of which he was by her oath made the Putative Father was read and referred to the commrs of the Alms House

A petition of the butchers of New York was presented requesting the Common council to amend the Three first Sections of the law passed to regulate Fulton market. and for other purposes. They propose that instead of selling their Stalls at Auction that the Corporation should affix such a rent upon the respective stalls as they should deem just—and that the numbers of the Stalls should be put into a box and be drawn for by the Butchers—having been read it was laid on the table to be taken up when the report of the Market committee on that subject should be considered.

A Lease was presented from Thomas Buckley John B Lawrence and Jacob Schieffelin to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York for part of Lot No 74 [211] on Lawrence Street in Manhattanville that is to say 14 feet in front on Sd. Lawrence st and 14 feet in rear by 20 feet in depth for the term of 21 Years Ensuing from June last past the same being for a site for an Engine House which was directed to be accepted and filed in the Comptrollers office

A Memorial from the Bakers of the City & of a number [of] citizens praying that the corporation will repeal the law lately passed by them to regulate the Sale and manufacture of bread and that all restrictions on the manufacture and sale of Bread may be taken off was read

A Law repealing said Law was presented by Aldn Emmons the memorial and law were referred to the Special committee consisting of Alderman Gelston Mann Thorp Messrs Parker. Thorn

A Report from the Superintendant of the Alms House detailing the number of Persons in house stating the number which are healthy

and those which are sick and how employed which was read and directed to be printed for the use of the members

[212] Report of the Superintendant of the Alms House Shewing the number of men and women now in the House who are sound also the number wh[o] are labouring under disease and those employed and about the house together with the number of Children in the House and at Nurse.

Diseases	Men	Women	Total
Sound	53	87	140
Rheumatism	28	38	66
Palsey	28	12	40
Old Age	63	63	126
Blind	16	15	31
Sore Eyes	5		5
Lame	59	25	84
Crippiles	29	26	55
Fits	10	13	23
consumption	18	12	30
Nervous	8	6	14
Scrofula	2		2
Dropsey	1		1
Gravel	1		1
Stricture	3		3
Rupture	4		4
Debility	22	38	60
Idiots	20	18	38
Pregnant		9	9
Lying in Ward		11	11
[213] Hospitals	103	74	177
Maniac	34		34
Total	507	447	954

Sound Men Employed	Sound men	Ailing men	Total
School	2	2	4
Barber	1	2	3
Taylor	1	3	4
Main Kitchen	2		2
Cook Kitchen	2	2	4
Carpenters Shop	3	1	4
Wool Factory	2	16	18
Weavers & Warpers	7	4	11
Shoe Shop	6	4	10
Wood Yard	2	5	7

Sound Men Employed	Sound men	Ailing men	Total
Labourers	2	4	6
Cartmen	4		4
Wash House	2	1	3
Bake House	3	1	4
Orderly men	7	8	15
Quarry And Masons	7	18	25
Wheelwrights		2	2
Coopers		2	2
Winders		4	4
Gardners		4	4
Gate Keepers		7	7
Blacksmiths		2	2
	53	92	145

[214] Women How Employed			Women who have Children			
Knitters	20	1	Woman with	7	children	
Sewers	50	30	Do	1	"	
Spinners	19	34	Do	2	"	
Wash House	20	9	Do	3	"	
Kitchen	3	2	Do	4	"	
Nurses for Children	5	2	Do	5	"	
Assistants "	8		Total number of Children including those at nurse			
Scrubbers	9		Boys			354
Hospital Nurses	9		Girls			259
Room Nurses	10					613
	153	78				
			Grand Total			1563

The aforesaid persons are disposed of as follows Viz[t]

Sound men employed	53
Ailing men do	92
Women employed with children	78
Women otherwise employed	153
Men incapa*ple*ble of labour	362
Women Do " "	212
children in the house	463
Children out at nurse	150
Total	1563

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(Signed) Arthur Burtis Supt.

[215] A letter from M Ulsshoeffer Esq^{r} atty for the corporation was read requesting that during his absence in attending the Legislature that William M Boyd may be appointed to act in his stead Whereupon it was resolved that his honor the Mayor be authorised to commission Mr William M Boyd Esq^{r} as atty to the Corporation who is hereby appointed as such to act in behalf of M Ulsshoeffer Esq^{r} during his absence

A Petition from Ann Byvanck & Ebeneezer Stevens was received in which they remonstrate against the report of the Finance Committee on the subject of the Pier lately built at the Crane wharf but still they are willing to pay the two thirds of the expence of filling in said Pier on condition such payment shall not prejudice their claim or rights in any proceedings which may be commenced to settle the rights of the Corporation and the individuals interested therein Whereupon the same was referred to the finance committee

A petition of Isaac Wright & Son for permission to store some Hemp in Store N^{o} 43 Fulton St was referred to the committee on the [216] Fire Department with authority

The following Persons were appointed firemen the chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies

Fire Engine Company N^{o} 13

Niel Gray V. James Burling Res^{d}

N^{o} 25

Joseph W Brown, V. Thomas Ellis Rs^{d}

N^{o} 26

Ebeneezer Morgan, V. Sacket Brown Res^{d}

The Counsel presented for execution a Petition to the Supreme Court to discontinue the proceedings for extending and enlarging Beekman Street and to appoint Commissioners for the purpose of widening and extending it in the manner recently ordered by the board

Also a petition to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners for the purpose of opening 34th Street from the Second to the third Avenue." Which were directed to be duly authenticated.

The St. Comm^{r} presented an Assessment for paving Lispenard St from Broadway to Church St and an Assessment for paving Thompson St between Broome & Spring Sts, which were confirmed and John G Betts app^{d} Collector in each

[217] He also presented returns of Delinquents on Sundry Assessments Whereupon warrants were ordered to issue to the collectors for collecting the same

The St Commissioner covers the return of Delinquents on Sundry Assessments Viz[t] for regulating and paving division St. from Arundel to Grand St. Also for a Well and Pump in Orange Street Also for a Well and Pump in Harman St. Also for a well and Pump in Cherry St, And Also for repaving Gold St in order that warrants may be passed to the respective collectors for paving Gold Street— John G Betts Collector And for the others Morris De Camp Collector

All which is Respectfully submitted

(Signed) R. Graves

Dec[r] 24[th] 1821 St Comm[r]

The Street commissioner herewith presents the return of Delinquents on three several assessments Viz[t] for paving Canal Street from near Broadway to Church Street, for paving the intersection of Varick and Canal St and for paving First St. from the Bowery to 1[st] Avenue in order that warrants may be passed to Noah Jarvis the Collector [218] *Collector*

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) R. Graves

Dec[r] 24[th] 1821 St Com[r]

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following nuisances for correction Viz[t]

N[o] 1	L & C Suydam	Occupant	61	Maiden Lane		Privy
2	T & J Robertson	D[o]	105	William St		D[o]
3	Andrew Howe	"	"	Rhynders St		"
4	Sawyer & Rathbone	"	75	South	"	"
5	Henry & Beers	"	85	D[o]	"	"
6	N. L. & G Griswold	"	86	D[o]	"	"
7	Seth Eastman	"	145	Front	"	"
8	Juste Graverend	"	147	D[o]	"	"
9	James Ray	"	149	D[o]	"	"
10	E Humphreys	"	171	D[o]	"	"
11	Waring and Kimberly	"	173	D[o]	"	"
12	J. G. Adema	"	119	Fly market		"
13	Luke Corrigan	"	123	D[o]	"	"
14	C Lebrun	"	131	D[o]	"	"
15	Peter I Mead	"	152	D[o]	"	"
16	Arc[d] Niven	"	156	D[o]	"	"
17	Isaac Fairchild	"	158	D[o]	"	"
18	James Harris	"	164	D[o]	"	"
19	Fellows & Langworthy	"	166	D[o]	"	"

20	William Ogilvie	Owner	Corlears St	A Lot
21	James P Allaire	"	"	"
23	Charˢ C Van Allen	Do	106 Water St	"
[219]	John C Gale	Occupant	133 Fly Market	"

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspr

City Inspectors office
24th Decr 1821

The committee on Applications on the Petition of Andrew Bache reported Vizt

The petition of Andrew Bache Praying to be appointed one of the Weighmasters of the city and which Petition was referred to the Committee on Applications Beg leave to report. that after due enquiry and information the following resolution

Resolved that Andrew Bache be appointed to the office of Weighmaster of this city agreable to the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) John Bingham
M Gelston

Which was approved and he was appointed a city Weigher accordingly

The same committee on the petition of Peter Demilt reported as follows

The Petition of Peter Demilt praying to be appointed one of the [220] Guagers of [the] City and which petition was referred to the committee on Applications beg leave to report that from all the circumstances of his Character and standing and wants they beg leave to report the following resolution resolved that Peter Demilt be appointed one of the Guagers of this city

(Signed) John. Bingham
M. Gelston

Which was approved and he was appointed a City Guager accordingly.

The committee on the Fire department to whom was referred the Petition for establishing a Hook and Ladder company at Stagg Town reported Vizt

The committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the annexed petition

Report that they have had the said petition under consideration and are of opinion that the present number of Hook & Ladder companys are sufficient and that it is inexpedient at this time to increase the

number of Firemen or to add to the expenses of the Fire Department respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient at this time to grant the prayer of the Petition

(Signed) John P Anthony
M Gelston
Robert M^cQueen

[221] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the Petition of Fire Eng. Comp^y N^o 1 reported Viz^t The committee on the Fire Dep^t to whom the annexed Petition was ref^d Report that they have made the necessary enquiry and find that Engine House N^o 1 has lately been repaired by order of your committee on repairs and that the Square to which the Petitioners refer was paid for by the owners of Property in that vicinity and is paved and regulated as a Street and in the opinion of your committee ought not to be appro*pro*priated for the purpose recommended by the petitioners Respectfully offer the following resolution Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the petition of Engine Company N^o 1.

(Signed) John P Anthony
M Gelston
R M^cQueen

Dec^r 24^th 1821

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[222] The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the Petition of Marinus Willett reported Viz^t

The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of Marinus Willett Esq^r setting forth that owing to the Late storm considerable injury had been done to the Bulkhead of the Public Slip at the foot of Delancy Street and praying that the proper repairs may be done most respectfully report. That your committee have examined the said Bulk head and are of the opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution Resolved that the Superintend^t of Repairs cause the Bulk heads on the West side and also on the South side of the said slip to have the necessary repairs done

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Henry Eckford reported Viz[t]

The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of Henry Eckford Esq[r] praying that the dock forming Stanton Street [223] Slip may be repaired begs most respectfully to report. that Your committee have examined the said dock and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted therefore offer the following resolution Resolved that the said Henry Eckford Esq[r] be permitted to have the said Dock repaired agreably to a regulation in such cases provided for

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston
J Hammond

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

Alderman Emmons "also presented a resolution directing the superintendant of repairs to cause the Bulk Head at Stanton St Basin to have the necessary repairs done to it which was adopted

The Street committee on the petition of Jacob Van Nostrand reported Viz[t]

The Street committee to whom was referred the petition of Jacob Van Nostrand relative to his having removed a building contrary to a law of the corporation respectfully Report "that they have had the same under [224] consideration and find the statement made therein to be correct and the public not having been *incommended* [inconvenienced] by the removal of the aforesaid building They therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted

Signed Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff.
William H Ireland
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Cha[s] Byrne reported Viz[t]

The Street committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Byrne for permission to sell furniture at auction in Chatham Square respectfully. report "that they have considered the request made by

the petitioner but his not being a regular Auctioneer and by granting his application would establish a precedent for others to ask also a like indulgence and therefore offer the following resolution. Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) F. Cooper.
Asa Mann
H J Wyckoff
W. H. Ireland
Geo. B Thorpe

[224½] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the remonstrance of John R Livingston and others against the assessment for curbing Grand St. reported Viz[t]

The Street committee to whom was referred the Petition of John R Livingston and others praying relief from Sundry Assessments. Report " that they have had the subject under consideration and have given it full investigation and are satisfied that the petitioners have no cause of complaint inasmuch as due notice was given by the Street Commissioner and the usual course pursued to obtain Estimates for the work that it was owing to the great expence of Blasting and removing a vast quantity of Rocks and to regulating and digging out the Street to the depth of six feet in some places in a Street of 70 feet wide that has occasioned the heavy expence complained of, and not from the want of due attention in giving publicity to or in obtaining the lowest estimate for the work; Your committee are of opinion that the cases cited and comparisons made by the petitioners with other streets [225] therein named are not analagous and that the difference of Price is owing to the difference of Labor and expence in Regulating and from no other cause

Your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the folfowing Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the *prayer of the* petitioners inasmuch as the petitioners have no real Cause of Complaint

Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
W[m] H. Ireland
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the Communication of his Honor the Mayor on the subject of assessing the expenses for working the Avenues—and also the resolution to empower the Corporation to assess the amount to be raised for paving streets and digging wells in such manner as may be just, reported as follows.

The committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the communication of his Honor the Mayor respecting the expediency of applying [226] to the Legislature for authority to assess on the property adjacent such proportion of the expence for working the Avenues and the Streets which intersect them as may be deemed reasonable and just; and also for authority to charge a reasonable compensation for the labour performed by the convicts when they shall be employed for the benefit of Private Property: and to whom was referred the resolution to empower the corporation to assess the amount of any monies to be raised for paving and flagging streets and digging wells in such manner as they may think just and reasonable Respectfully Report.

That they have considered the subject and are of opinion that the public interests would be promoted by the adoption of the proposed measure: The committee think that inasmuch as the public are charged with the costs of supporting and keeping the convicts it is reasonable that they should be entitled to the proceeds of their labour as some remuneration for the injuries resulting from the vices of those unfortunate beings. The committee are also of opinion that the present [227] method of laying Assessments for regulating pitching and paving streets avenues and public Square is attended with great and un[n]ecessary expense and that the adoption of a principle by which the expense may be calculated and assessed by a graduated scale, large sums of money would be saved to the proprietors of lands in this city and the permanent improvement thereof greatly facilitated

To the same committee was also referred the consideration of the resolution for power to authorize the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty from time to time to regulate fix and establish the fees and compensation of the commissioners Attorneys and Counsellors at Law Surveyors and Collectors and all and every other person and persons employed in and about the opening laying out widening enlarging straithening or extending of any Street Lane Road High way Public Square or avenue in the city of New York and the same from time to time to alter at their discretion and to audit all and every account

relating thereto beg leave to remark thereon that they have examined the subject and are of opinion that the resolution should be referred to the counsel to prepare the draft of a law in conformity with the said resolution and which law may be [228] in the same law to be prepared in conformity with this report on the subject of power herein considered and reported upon—As connected with this subject of power it is also manifest that the public interests would be benefitted if some regular and systematic course of industry was provided for the paupers and vagrants and also for such of the convicts in the penitentiary as are not of sufficient ability to sustain labor on the roads or Common Lands

In the examination of this matter your committee have not taken into consideration the subject as to which might be the best system or course of labor for the industry of those unfortunate persons: because it has appeared to them that the first step to such a course is to obtain the power to establish a proper system of Police for the government of the Alms House poor and the vagrants while employed in Labour; and that object being accomplished the next step will properly be to devise a practicable and beneficial course of Labour. It is confidently believed that a great portion of the pauperism in this County arises from a reluctance to labor and dependance on the public bounty. [229] Many persons spend the Summer Season in idleness and the winter in the Alms House who are of Sufficient ability to earn their subsistence by industry: If therefore a regular system of industry was provided for the Alms House poor they would see no way of escaping from its performance and there can be no doubt but that many of them would prefer a course of voluntary industry of their own choice to a systematic Service under Overseers in the Poorhouse

To the same committee was also referred the communication of his Honor the Mayor respecting the clandestine and surreptitious evasions of the Law touching the introduction of Alien Passengers into the city of New York by means whereof many frauds are practised and they have agreed to recommend an application to the Legislature to repeal the words prescribing the limits that is to say "within fifty miles of the said city"—And whereas doubts have arisen as to the construction of the charter of the city of New York and of the several Acts of the Legislature relating to the said city as to whether certain powers are thereby granted to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in common council convened and such powers being necessary for the public benefit of the said city by [230] reason of its rapid Growth

in population and improvement and to lighten the burthen of its citizens be it therefore

Resolved, that application be made to the Honourable the Legislature *o*for a law declaring the following powers to be vested in the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened That is to say First. to proceed to the working regulating pitching or paving of any Street Avenue or Public Square in the said city now laid out or hereafter to be laid out according to law for the public accommodation first giving thirty days notice of their intention so to do in the newspapers usually employed by them to all persons interested in the adjacent lands and to calculate determine and assess the expense of the same and the value of any labor bestowed thereon in such just and equitable way and manner as to them may appear most conducive to the public good and to the individual benefit and advantage of the proprietors and owners of the lands in the immediate vicinity of any such Avenue Street or public Square on which the said expense and labor or the value thereof ought to be assessed and to adopt such general principles [231] for ascertaining by calculation or otherwise the proportion which the lands of each individual ought to bear and that the same be a lien on such lands with power to sell the same lands for the reimbursement of such sums so assessed as in other like cases and that this provision touching the manner of assessing the expense shall apply in like manner to the digging and completing of Wells and Pumps Secondly That it is and shall be lawful for the said Mayor Aldermen and commonalty in Common Council convened to employ the convicts confined in the Penitentiary in any reasonable and proper works and to contract with any person or persons for their services in the said City an[d] County and take and receive for the use of the said city and county any sum or sums or other thing as they may agree as a compensation for their services of the said convicts Thirdly That it shall be and is lawful for the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty from time to time to make bye laws touching the subject of these resolutions and to regulate the same in such manner as they may deem most conducive to the public good: Provided the same be not contrary to any law of this State. Fourthly That it shall be and is lawful for the said mayor Aldermen And Commonalty from time to time to make bye laws for the good government & employment of the public poor [232] in the Alms House of the said city and such other vagrant persons as become a public charge and to employ them at such times and places in the said city and in and about such works as they may be able to perform

and as to the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty may appear to be most for the public good and not contrary to any law of this state and that all and every contract which may be made by the said Mayor Aldermen and commonalty with any persons or person touching the services and employment of the said convicts public poor and vagrants, shall be good and available in law between the parties thereto their successors and legal representatives according to law and the true intent and meaning of any such contract Fifthly That it shall be and is lawful for the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in common council convened from time to time to make such bye laws for the regulation and good government of the intelligence offices in the said City and requiring the persons keeping them to take licenses from the Mayor of the said city and to charge such sum for such licenses as may be reasonable and to establish such rules and regulations as may be deemed requisite [233] for preserving the public peace and good morals—not being contrary to any law of this State.

Sixthly That it shall be and is lawful for the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York in Common Council convened from time to time to agree with and establish the fees and compensation of the commissioners attorneys and Counsellors at Law Surveyors Collectors and all and every other person and persons employed in and about the opening laying out widening enlarging straightening or extending of any street lane road highway public square or avenue in the city of New York and to audit and allow all and every account in relation thereto which in their opinion ought to be allowed Seventhly "That it is and shall be lawful for the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in common council convened from time to time to pass such bye laws for the good regulation and government of the public markets in the said city and for the forfeiture in a summary way of all and any such Articles of Provisions as may be offered for sale in the said public markets and which may be found while in the possession of the person so offering the same for Sale to be short in the weight or measure or Stale or unwholesome

Eightly. That nothing herein contained be construed or taken to diminish [234] lessen or abridge any power or powers heretofore possessed by the said Mayor Aldermen and commonalty by virtue of any existing law or laws Statute or Charter in force at the time of the passing hereof.

Resolved that a section be introduced into the said law so to amend the act respecting the introduction of alien passengers into the city of New York that the limit of Fifty miles may be repealed

Resolved .that the counsel be requested to prepare the draft of a law in conformity with this report

J Hammond
Chaˢ Town
Signed John P Anthony
Thomas Bolton
B. Crane

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted.

The same committee on the communication of the Mayor on the subject of granting licenses to retail Spirituous Liquors reported Vizᵗ

The committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the consideration of the communication made by his Honor the Mayor respecting licenses for retailing spirituous liquors ask leave to report that They have [235] considered the subject with much care and solicitude and are conscious of its great importance not only to that class of our fellow citizens who are immediately concerned in the subject as a matter of business but also to the community at large

The committee are constrained to admit that the evils complained of in the communication are great and palpable and continually increasing to an alarming extent. They are also conscious that the subject is intimately connected with the business and prosperity of a very numerous and respectable class of our fellow citizens whose interests ought not and must not be injured The duty of the committee has therefore been delicate arduous and difficult It has been and is their sedulous care to abate the evil without inflicting any injury.

The committee also feel a deep conviction that the complex interests of civilized society require and that the laws of every country ought to be so administered that when any particular branch of business is of such a nature as to occasion public injuries without any fault in those who carry it on, it ought nevertheless to bear the expense of correcting which its own progress involves unless it also produces corresponding benefits sufficient to counteract its bad effects.

And your committee believe that that class [236] *class* of our fellow citizens whose business is most connected with the subject generally are men feeling as deep an interest in the welfare and prosperity of our common country as any other class of our fellow citizens, and that an appeal to them to unite in the adoption of such measures as are best calculated to redeem this great city from the evils complained of cannot be made in vain, provided it comes in such a shape as not to require too great sacrifices

Your committee have therefore agreed to recommend the following

resolutions and which if adopted will in their opinion not only tend to redress the injury but also to promote the prosperity of those of our fellow citizens whose business is most intimately connected with this subject: in this expectation the following resolutions are submitted

Resolved, that from and after the first day of May next no person shall be required to take more than one license to retail spirituous liquors in quantities under five gallons and to keep a public inn or ordinary or victualling house in the City of New York: and that no such license [237] shall be granted to any one who at the time of such grant is not a citizen of the State of New York or some one of the United States Provided that nevertheless *that* it shall be lawful for the Mayor & Aldermen in their discretion to renew the licenses heretofore granted to aliens

Resolved, that from and after the first day of May next the smallest price which shall be demanded or taken for any such license shall be fifteen dollars and the largest price or sum which shall be demanded or taken for any such license shall be thirty dollars

Resolved that every such license be issued at such times as the Common council may direct and that every such license shall continue and be in force untill the first monday of May next after the date thereof unless sooner suspended. That every such license be issued by the Mayor and two Aldermen and that the Aldermen who attend with the Mayor receive the same compensation as that allowed them for attending as judges of the court of Sessions

Resolved that no such license shall be granted to any person who is not of good moral character and who does not keep a decent orderly and well conducted house

Resolved that the counsel be requested to [238] prepare the draft of a law in conformity with this report

Signed J. Hammond
Chas Town
John P Anthony
Benjn Crane
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted

The effect of the foregoing resolutions if adopted will be to reduce the highest price which might be demanded for license to any individual from fifty five to thirty dollars and to increase the smallest price for which the requisite license might heretofore have been obtained from ten to fifteen dollars thereby leaving but little range to the discretion of the magistrates by whom the license is to be granted

as to its price, only one licensed hereafter to be required to be taken by any individual A further effect will be that the license will be in future granted by a board of commissioners so that the persons desiring to obtain it will not be as heretofore concluded by the judgement of one person, a circumstance which was complained of as a great defect in our former system.

[239] The Finance committee on the petition of Comfort Sands reported Viz[t]

The Finance committee to whom was referred the Memorial of Comfort Sands praying that certain water grants may be made to him respectfully report, that the immemorial usage of the common Council has been and now is, to grant the water rights to the person or persons owning the upland in front of which the water rights are situated at the time of issuing the Grants; that Mr Sands does not own any of the lands in front of which the water rights lay which he seeks to obtain, and the committee cannot perceive that he has any right to obtain the grants sought by him

The following resolution is submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the memorialist.

(Signed) J Hamond
Chas Town
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the Petition of John Vanderlyn reported Viz[t]

The Finance committee [240] to whom was referred the foregoing petition having duly considered the same are of opinion that one hundred dollars ought to be allowed Mr Vanderlyn for his extraordinary trouble and expense in taking the two portraits of President Monroe and Genl Jackson. The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that a warrant pass in favor of Mr Vanderlyn for one hundred dollars in pursuance of the prayer of his petition and in full satisfaction of his claim

(Signed) J Hammond
Charles Town
H. J. Wyckoff
Francis Cooper.

Which was approved and a warrant was ordered to issue immediately therefore.

The Watch committee to whom had been referred the petition of the Captains of the City Watch praying compensation for their attendance at courts as Witnesses reported

The Watch committee to [whom] was referred the petition of the captains of the City watch and others praying to be allowed [241] for their time while attending the court of Sessions report that they have considered the subject and believe that the prayer of the Petitioners is reasonable they therefore recommend that the captains and the watchmen under them be allowed one dollar per day for every days attendance in the court of General Sessions or attending the grand jury on any suit they are summoned to attend growing out of their duties as Watchmen—and offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board prepare an Ordinance agreably to the above report

(Signed) Asa Mann
John Bingham
Chas Town
Francis Cooper
Abraham Valentine

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of the watchmen for an increase of pay Reported Vizt

The Watch committee to whom was referred the petition of the committee of the watchmen in the several Watch districts praying for additional pay for their Duties as Watchmen

Report. that they have considered the subject [242] and find that there are a great number of applications for births as Watchmen more than can be employed and that neither mechanical labour or the article of Living is higher at the present time than it was at the time the pay of the Watchmen was reduced to the present pay they therefore are of opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners and offer the following resolution Resolved " that the pay of the Watchmen be continued at the same rate they are at the present time

(Signed) Asa Mann
John Bingham
Chas Town
Francis Cooper
Abraham Valentine

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The market committee presented the following report on the subject of the sale of the Stalls in Fulton market Viz[t]

The Market committee in conformity to a resolution of Board of the 10[th] instant did on tuesday the 18[th] offer to rent at Public Auction the Stands in Fulton Market [243] on the terms and conditions hereunto annexed" (which they wish may be considered as part of this report) when only a small number of the said stands were rented And your Committee further report that the proceedings of a great number of persons who attended the sale were very rioutous and improper and they regret to state as their opinion that a combination had been formed to obstruct the renting of the stands and that many persons were deterred from bidding from apprehension of personal altercation and violence. Your Committee therefore beg leave to offer the following resolutions for the consideration of the board.

Resolved that the Market Committee be authorised to rent the Butchers Stands in the Fulton market at auction or otherwise to any person who will give the highest rent for the same whether they be licensed Butchers or not. but no stand shall be rented for a less sum than one hundred dollars per annum provided however that if the licensed Butchers shall on or before the 29[th] day of December Instant either personally or by a deputation from their body signify to the Market committee that they will bid for the said Stands and comply with the regulations of the common council on that subject [244] then the said stands shall be rented to none but licensed Butchers

Resolved that whenever the Fulton market shall be completed and in a state to be occupied the Market committee be and they are hereby authorised to dispose of and have removed the present Fly Market or so much of it as they may deem expedient.

(Signed) Henry J. Wyckoff
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston
Isaac Emmons
Chas Town

The followings were the terms referred to in the above report

1[st] The Stands shall be rented at public auction on the 18[th] day of December inst. (This day) at 11 oclock on the premises.

2[nd] No person except a regular licensed butcher can be permitted to rent any of the said stands.

3[d] The stands will be rented on a lease of five years from the first day of January next for the highest rent per annum they will

bring; but no stand shall be disposed of at a less rent than one Hundred dollars per annum.

4th [245] The rent of the said stands shall be paid quarterly in advance as follows the first payment to be made on the first day of January aforesaid the second on the first day of April thereafter and the fourth on the first day of October following: said payment to be made at the times aforesaid in each and every year during the continuance of the lease

5th Should default be made in any of the aforesaid payments and the rent remain unpaid ten days after it shall become due the stands on which such default is made shall revert to the Corporation and the lease for the same be null and void

6th The persons renting the aforesaid stands are to be exempt from the payment of all fees for permitted articles sold at the same

7th No stand can be transferred from one person to another except by a written permit from the common council and no person can sell at any stand except the one for which he is licensed

8th The Stalls to be placed on the aforesaid stands must be constructed agreably to the direction of the Market committee.

9th Every person who may rent any of the aforesaid stands shall in all things conform to the rules and regulations prescribed by the ordinances of the Common Council which now are in force or [246] which may hereafter be passed for regulating the said market and also to the provisions and conditions of the lease to be given a copy of which may be examined by those concerned at the comptrollers office City Hall.

Resolved That *that* the Market commee be authorised to lease the Butchers stands in Fulton Market subject to the above terms and conditions.

Resolved that his honour the Mayor be authorised to license such butchers as may be recommended to him by the Market committee previous to the next meeting of the board By the Common Council

(Signed) J Morton Clerk

Any butcher holding a Stand under the corporation in any of the other markets shall be at liberty to relinquish the same in case he should rent a stand in the Fulton market. If Fulton Market is not compleated and ready for the reception of the Butchers by the first of January next the rent of the stands will not commence untill such time as the market committee shall decide that the Market is in a situation to be occupied.

[247] The question being taken on agreeing to the first resolution it was carried in the affirmative the ayes and Noes having been called by Alderman Wyckoff were as follows

Ayes Mr Recorder, Ald^{n} Wyckoff, Townsend, Gelston, Anthony, Bingham M^{c}Queen, Mann. Emmons, Thorp; Mess^{rs} Bolton, Valentine, Ireland. Crane Town Parker Thorn and Mead. 18.

Noes Ald^{n} Hammond Mr Cooper 2.

The question was then taken on agreeing to the other resolution and was carried in the affirmative the same was directed to be published in the papers employed by the board.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Wyckoff and adopted. Resolved that the time specified in a resolution passed by this board on the 10th instant authorising His Honor the Mayor to license such butchers as may be recommended to him by the Market committee be extended to the next meeting of the board

The committee on Charity on the petition of Gershom Mills reported Viz^{t}

The committee on Charity to [248] whom the petition of Gershom Mills was referred representing that he had been a watchman for Eighteen years and that his post had been lately denied him, he has a large family to support and is desirous to again obtain his place as a watchman or some other assistance report that he was removed from his watch on account of his inability to perform the duties and they cannot see that he has any claim on this board for assistance they offer the following resolution. Resolved that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of John Craft reported Viz^{t}

The committee of Charity to whom the petition of John Craft a watchman was referred, stating that some time since when on duty as a watchman he detected a thief who resisted and wounded him with a knife in his hand from which wound he was unable to work at his trade [249] prays some aid—Report that they have duly considered his case and also have had the captain of the Watch before them who corroborates the above statement your committee think him entitled to some relief, they therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the comptroller prepare a warrant for Twenty dollars by the next meeting of the board in favour of John Craft

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
William H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the memorial of the Humane [society] reported Viz[t]

The committee of Charity to whom the application of the Humane society was referred representing that owing to a falling off of their annual subscribers and other causes their funds have become much reduced and the usefulness of the institution thereby greatly lessened they request the usual donation be granted them Report that they have the subject under consideration and believe it to be among the most usefull Charitable institutions in our city but as the merits of it is (we believe) well known to [250] all the members of the common Council it is deemed unnecessary to detail them they respectfully offer the following resolution Resolved that the comptroller present a warrant at the next meeting of this board in favour of the treasurer of the humane society for two hundred dollars

Signed Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
W[m] H Ireland

Which was approved and a warrant directed to be reported accordingly

Mr Crane presented the following which was adopted. Resolved that the committee on Laws be instructed to enquire what amendments if any are necessary to be made in relation to the Law regulating the Lying of Vessels at the public Slips & report the same to the Board with all convenient dispatch

The resolution for supplying the city with water presented on the 27[th] of Novem[r] last was called up—A motion was made to postpone the further consideration untill May next which was negatived—The following [251] resolution was proposed. Resolved that a committee of Five be appointed for the purpose of enquiring into, ascertaining and reporting the best and most practicable means of obtaining the city of New York with an ample supply of pure and wholesome water: and that they have power to cause and procure any plans drawings, surveys, estimates and calculations relative to that subject which may be found requisite

The question being taken thereon it was carried in the affirmative

the Ayes and Noes having been called by Alderman Mann were as follows

Ayes Mr Recorder Ald^{n} Wyckoff Townsend Gelston Anthony M^{c}Queen Bingham Thorp Hammond Mess^{rs} Bolton Valentine Ireland Town Cooper Mead 15.

Noes Ald Mann Emmons Mr Crane Parker Thorn 5.

The following proviso was proposed & agreed to, Viz^{t}

Provided the expence shall not exceed 200 Dollars

The resolution and proviso were then agreed to the Mayor stated he would appoint the committee at next meering of the board.

[252] The board agreably to the resolution of the Convention assembled on the 28th day of August 1821 in pursuance of the Act recommending a convention of the People of the State passed 13th of March 1821 proceeded to appoint inspectors of the election to be held on the 3^{d} Tuesday of January next and the following persons were elected

1st Ward	3^{d} Ward	5th Ward
Samuel Tooker	Charles Denison	W^{m} M Carter
Peter H Schenck	John C Hamilton	J. P. Groshon
Augustus Wyncoop	John J Labagh	Rudolph Bunner
2nd Ward	4th Ward	6th Ward
William M Hewlett	Ab^{m} Bloodgood	W^{m} Alburtis
Elam Williams	John Robins	Ric^{d} L Walker
John Sutphen	Jacob Vanderpool	N. C. Everett
7th Ward	8th Ward	9th Ward
Abraham Dally	Jacob B Taylor	Thomas Morris
David Lyon	Stuart F Randolph	John Doughty
James P Allair	Jacob Aims	Thomas Miller
	10th Ward	
	Morris De Camp	
	John Fream	
	Solomon Wheeler	

A member stating that he had business to communicate which required secrecy the Lobby was cleared and the doors closed

[253 blank.]

[254] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 10th inst	$.105.62	
Received for Streets	8418.83	
Tax of 1821 1st 3rd 7th wards	7200.	
" " Rents	3412.74	
" " Excise	1407.	
" Liens on Lots sold on 18th inst	330.15	
Commutation of Alien Passengers	306.	
Mayoralty fees	76.	21.250.34

23 Accounts Audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75	
Hibbard & Clark do 2nd Do	645.75	
Bleakly & Brower do 3d Do	414.75	
Hugh Maxwell Distt Atty 1. Qr Salary, 16. inst	750.	
G. Snethen Supers lighting lamps 1 month	742.09	
Fish & Grinnell 32 casks Oil	702. 9	
Benja Brower Acct Stone at the Battery	625.	
J Hallstead bal. in full for insps at Fulton mt	144.	
J. Cornell acct, contt for trees in the Park	28.66	
Thomas Lovett acct regs and pavs Grand St from arundel to East River	1500.	
Smith Bloomfield acct. Sewer in Chapel St	800.	
H & W Cochrane Act. regs and pavs Hudson St from Canal to Spring	600.	
T Lovett acct, regulating and pavs Division from Arundel to Grand St	400.	
James Wallace acct. intt on Minetto Sewer	357.60	
[255] Estate J Debaum bal. regs and paving Bedford St from Carmine to Lows line	322.44	
H Smith acct. paving and regs Dominick St from Varick to Clark St	100.	
H Smith bal. pavs Collect St. fr Leonard to Rynder	582.88	
J Gallagher first paymt Well in Pitt st. between Grand and Broome Streets	82.	
R Pettigrew first paymt Well in East and Bank St near Twelfth street	29.40	
Jacob P Roome Supt. Repairs for repairs	882.	
J P Roome " for Docks & Slips	163.	
J P Roome " for Fire Dept	127.	
J. Fleming Treasr to pay bal. on city stock due 1 Novr	7500.	18502.31
Balance		$2748.03
John Vanderlyn in full for Painting the portraits of the President of U. S and of Genl Jackson ordered by the board		100.
		$2648.03

Board adjourned

[256] Special meeting In Common Council Dec^{r} 29th 1821

Present The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abraham Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H Ireland
John P Anthony	Benj^{n} Crane
John Bingham	Cha^{s} Town
Robert M^{c}Queen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	William Thorn
Isaac Emmons	Francis Cooper
George B Thorp	Henry Mead

His Honor the Mayor informed the Board that he had called this Special meeting at the request of the committee to whom the memorial of the Bakers of this city had been referred

Alderman Gelston from the committee presented a report agreed to by a Majority of the comm^{ee} but signed but by two members he therefore moved that the 21st Rule of the Rules and orders [257] which requires reports to be signed by a majority of the committee be on this occasion dispensed with—which was agreed to The report of the committee was then read in the words following Viz^{t}

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Bakers and others Inhabitants of this city and a proposed ordinance in relation to Bakers and the assize of Bread

" Report. That the objects prayed for in the memorial and in the proposed ordinance are that all restrictions for the manufacture and sale of Bread be withdrawn and that all laws at any time heretofore passed regulating Bakers or the assize of Bread be repealed.

The memorial deserves the attention of the common Council as well from the number and respectability of our fellow citizens whose signatures are affixed to it as for the importance of the object prayed for therein and although the committee are confident that this board in passing laws for the manufacture and sale of Bread can only be anxious to secure equal rights and priviledge to the manufacturers and consumers thereof yet the frequent and recent discussions on this subject here, as the conflicting opinions of our fellow citizens elsewhere evince the great difficulty of devising a plan that shall leave the rights [258] of the community unimpaired, should the Bakers be without any restrictions.

The committee have given all the attention in their power to the

subject referred and have decided to offer for the consideration of the Board the following resolutions

1st Resolved that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners or to adopt the proposed ordinance

2d Resolved, that the following amendments be made to the "Law to regulate the manufacture and sale of Bread passed the 13th day of December Inst.

First That the words "one two or four pounds in the second and third sections be stricken out and the words "one pound and a half two pounds three pounds or four pounds avoirdupois weight" be inserted in lieu thereof

Second "That the word ten' in the Eighth line of the third Section be stricken out and the word "Two substituted therefor

Signed M Gelston
B Crane
George B Thorp

A Communication from Jonas Humbert [259] requesting that Twisted bread and small rolls might be exempted from the operation of the Law respecting the Manufacture and Sale of bread was read.

Alderman Thorp appeared at the board and as one of the committee signed the report.

The consideration of the first proposed resolution was postponed untill the other resolutions were considered Alderman Mann moved that the words and a half" in the first proposed amendment be stricken out the question being taken thereon it was carried in the affirmative Aldn Mann having called the Ayes and Noes they were as follows

Ayes Aldn Wyckoff, Townsend, Anthony, McQueen, Mann, Emmons, Mr Valentine, Town, Ireland, Parker, Cooper, Mead 12.

Noes Aldn Gelston, Bingham, Thorp, Messrs Bolton, Crane, Thorn 6.

The second amendment to strike out the word "ten" in the third section of the late law was agreed to as also the first resolution of the report. The law as thus amended was passed under the Title of a Law to regulate the manufacture and Sale of Bread

[260] Resolved that the authority be given to the Mayor to execute Leases to Butchers in the recess of the Board be extended untill the next regular meeting

Board adjourned

In Common Council Jan^{y} 7th 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor Pres^{t}

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abraham Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H Ireland
John P. Anthony	Benj^{n} Crane
John Bingham	Cha^{s} Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaa[c] Emmons	William Thorn
George B Thorpe	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Gerard De Peyster
	Henry Mead

The minutes of last regular meeting and of the special meeting were read and approved.

[261] His Honor the Mayor stated that the society for the prevention of Pauperism had transmitted to him for the members of the Corporation Copies of the 5th report of the Society read at their Anniversary Meeting in the city of New York on the 17th of Dec^{r} 1821 which they begged their acceptance of—the same were accordingly directed to be given to the Members

A petition of Hugh Smith praying payment of balance due him on contract for paving Albany Street in 1819 from Greenwich St to the Bulkhead was read and referred to the Finance comm^{ee}

A Petition of John Phillips to be relieved from a personal Tax assessed on him was referred to the committee on Assessments

A petition was received from John Lyon stating that he has purchased Stall N^{o} 61 Fulton market that he has hitherto occupied Stall N^{o} 4 in Catharine market that his son David Lyon has served a regular apprenticeship as a butcher with him and he prays that said stall N^{o} 4 Catharine Market may be granted to his said son. Which was referred to the Market comm^{ee} with powers

[262] A petition of John Langdon was received stating that he has for some years held under the corporation a commission of Measurer of Grain, that that commission has always been understood to authorise the measurement of Grain Salt & Seacoal that in virtue of said commission he measured from the coal yard of Alex^{r} Fraser a quantity of Coal that for a part of the same said Frazer paid him the fees of measurement but refusing to pay the balance he prosecuted said Frazer therefor, but the justice before whom the cause was tried decided that his commission under the Law did not authorise

him to measure coal Judgm[t] was therefore rendered against him for the costs amounting to Nineteen dollars for which he is now imprisoned & praying relief whereupon the same was referred to the committee of Police with authority to grant relief

A petition of Richard Wenman to be appointed an inspector of Lime was referred to the committee of Applications

[263] A memorial was received from R Maynard first Directress of the Association for the relief of respectable indigent females soliciting on behalf of the institutions assistance from the corporation to enable them to administer to the wants of the aged sufferers under their care Whereupon the same was referred to the committee of Charity

A Petition from a number of persons dealers in Lime stating that in their opinion the fee of one shilling per load allowed to the measurers of Lime is too great an allowance and that the same might with propriety be reduced to 6 cents per load And a petition from William Young expressing the same opinion as to the fee and soliciting the appointment of Measurer and Inspector of Lime was read and referred to the committee appointed on the subject of which Alderman Thorpe is Chairman

A petition from Orvill Nash for Stall N° 30 Catharine Market lately held by J Skillman who has purchased a stall in the Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market committee

[264] A petition of William G Henshaw for relief from a personal Tax assessed on him was referred to the committee on Assessments

A petition of William G Mabe for relief from a personal Tax assessed on him he being a Soldier in the first brigade of State Artillery and exempted by Law from personal tax was read and referred to the committee on Assessments

A petition of Francis Marschalck for the appointment of inspector of Firewood was referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition of John Guest for the appointm[t] of Measurer of Grain was referred to the committee on Applications.

A petition of Thomas Shaw for relief from fine under the law for regulating Hackney coaches was referred to the Police comm[ee]

A letter was received from Evan Lewis Vice President of the American convention for the abolition of Slavery transmitting [265] a resolution passed at a meeting of said convention on the 29[th] of November last presenting to the corporation their thanks for the use

granted to them of the Common Council Chamber for their meeting accompanied by observations of some length of Mr Lewis of the objects and of the vast importance of the cause in which the convention were engaged which was read from the chair and directed to be put on file

Petitions of Jonas Bush and John M Devoy for appointments of Assistants to the 1st Watch district were read and laid on the table untill the report of the Watch commee on that subject was taken up.

A petition of Chas Gillman was read stating that he had been employed during the summer as keeper of the Battery at the low wages of Nine shillings per day that he has received notice that his services would not be required after the 31st of December last He solicits as he is an aged man and no other means of livelihood that he may be continued in employment

Whereupon the Same was referred to the commee on Public Lands & Places

[266] A petition of Abraham Springsteen Junr was received stating that he has taken a House at Kips bay to which a Hay Scale is attached and praying to be appointed a Weigher of Hay which being read was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th ward.

A petition from Fire Engine Company No 28, praying that as a new and large Engine was to be assigned to them that an additional number of men might be added to their company which was referred to the committee on the Fire Department.

The following resignations were received from persons appointed in[s]pe[c]tors for the Election respecting the adoption or refusal of the Constitution of the State proposed by the late Convention which were accepted and the following persons appointed in their place Vizt

Peter H Schenck Samuel Tooker	1st Ward	John *G* [Y] Cebra Peter H Radcliff	Appd
John C Hamilton	3d Ward.	Isaac Graham.	Appd

[267] His Honor the Mayor appointed the following persons who with himself will constitute the committee to whom the resolution agreed last meeting on the subject of *a* procuring a supply of pure and wholesome water for the city

Committee are The Mayor Ald. Hammond Wyckoff Gelston Mr Mead.

A petition of Timothy Cornell for Stall No 7 Catharine Market occupied by George Thompson who has purchased a stall in Fulton Market was referred to the market committee with authority to grant the request.

The following persons were appointed Fireman the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies

Fire Engine Company N° 12.

James Speir blacksmith 82 Gold St v. David Bryson time expired

N° 14

Charles A King Accountant 23 Frankfort v. Peter Van Keuren Res^{d}

N° 15

Stephen Roberts Blacksmith 43 Harman S^{t} v. James B Ackerman Res^{d}

N° 16.

Edward J Billington Grocer cor^{r} Chapel and Church v. John W Degraw Res^{d}

N° 18

John G Pearsall Stove manufacturer 82 Lombardy St v. James Barton Res^{d}

[268] Fire Engine Comp^{y} N° 27.

Levi Strangman Carpenter 13 Charlton v. Robert Moore Res^{d}

N° 34

Charles Feitner Milkman Cha^{s} Street v Danl Felter rem^{d}

N° 36

Aaron Saffin Mason Arden N^{r} Bedford v. Jacob Concklin Res^{d}

N° 37

John Shaw Smith 113 Hester Street v. James Ransom Exp^{d}

The Comptroller stated that the contract for the street manure will expire on the 1st of Feb^{y} next which was referred to the Finance committee with a request that they would direct Contracts for the same to be advertized for.

He also presented the accounts of the Attorney from the 1st of Sept^{r} to 1st inst. on which there was a balance due to the Attorney of $119.07, which was referred to the committee on Pub offices.

The City Inspector presented ordinances for correction of Nuisances which were passed—Viz^{t}

The City inspector respectfully reports the [269] *the* following Ordinances for the correcting [of] nuisances

N° 1	Waterbury & Coles	Occupant	89	South St		A privy
2	G Langdon	D°	91	D°		D°

3	S Hendrickson	Occupant	92	South St	A privy
4	R S Williams	Do	93	Do	Do
5	W Stoutenberg	Do	3	Burling Slip	Do
6	Mrs McCullough	Do	7	Do	Do
7	Mr Murray	Do	9	Do	Do
8	Rapelye & Purdy	Do	27	Do	Do
9	H Hobert	Do	39	Do	Do
10	Wm Robertson	Do	2½	Fulton St	Do
11	Simmons & Mott	Do	4	Do	Do
12	S & D Wood	Do	6	Do	Do
13	Nichols & Wood	Do	8	Do	Do
14	Vanbrunt & Doty	Do	10	Do	Do
15	Woodhull & Smith	Do	12	Do	Do
16	Rowland & Spencer	Do	14	Do	Do
17	S Hodge	Do	106	Do	Do
18	Phillips & Edgar	Do	114	Do	Do
19	William Colgate	Do	6	Dutch St	Do
20	J R Thomas	Do	10	Do	Do
21	James Whelply	Do	44	Nassau St	Do
22	York Thomas	Do	48	Do	Do
23	J Williams	Do	171	Water St	Do
24	C Wallen	Do	175	Do	Do
25	T Boardman	Do	178	Do	Do
26	J Smith	Do	192	Do	Do
27	[270] Mrs Teubner	Do	201	Pearl St	Do
28	S Waring & Co.	Do	205	Do	Do
29	F Child	Do	215	Do	Do
30	Miss Burr	Do	218	Do	Do
31	Stratton and Winthrop		220	Do	Do
32	P & S Demilt	Do	239	Do	Do
33	R Wardell	Do	254	Do	Do
34	W Slowley	Do	31	John St	Do
35	R Bragg	Do	53	Do	Do
36	T Brown	Do	54	Do	Do
37	A Perrett	Do	56	Do	Do
38	C Frasher	Do	69	Do	Do
39	J Riley	Do	63 & 65	Do	Do
40	M Elliott	Do	71	Do	Do
41	D. Ayres	Do	94	Do	Do
42	D. Alley	Do	98	Do	Do
43	S Pencost	Do	7	Gold St	Do
44	L Crowley	Do	20	Do	Do
45	M Saunders	Do	22	Do	Do
46	J Perret	Do	22½	Do	Do
47	H Wheeler	Do	25	Do	Do
48	A Maintain	Do	45	Do	Do
49	S Horton	Do	47	Do	Do
50	H Smith	Do	48	Do	Do
51	Wm Hyer	Do	52	Do	Do

52	J Taylor	Occupant	69	Maiden Lane	A privy
53	J A *Sniden* [Snyder]	Do	73	Do	Do
54	[271] C Mahon	Do	75	Do	Do
55	Clark & Brown	Do	85	Do	Do
56	C & J De Wolfe	Do	87	Do	Do
57	Wm Cox	Do	91	Do	Do
58	Hyde & Banta	Do	93	Do	Do
59	J Watson	Do	82	William Street	Do
60	J Mortimer	Do	88	Do	Do
61	R Hoe	Do	90	Do	Do
62	T C Morton	Do	92	Do	Do
63	W. Wallace	Do	94	Do	Do
64	Mrs Brewster	Do	112	Do	Do
65	J Sharlow	Do	116	Do	Do
66	A R Miller	Do	128	Do	Do
67	H W Peckwell	Do	129	Do	Do
68	Mrs Cruikshank	Do	131	Do	Do
69	Mrs Ring	Do	137	Do	Do
70	D Marechall	Do	141	Do	Do
71	W Rogers	Do	185	Front St	Do
72	Phelps & Peck	Do	179	Do	Do

City Inspectors office
7th Janr 1822

(Signed) Geo. Cumming
City Inspector

[272] The St. Commissioner presented a Communication on the subject of the Law entitled "A Law to prevent Nuisances &c which was referred to the committee on Laws.

He Also presented an account of Sales of Property on 18th of December last for Non Payment of Assessments. Vizt

The Street Commissioner has the honor to inform the Common Council that the following delinquent property was sold at Public Auction on the 18th day of Decemr Ultimo after having been advertised as the law directs

					$.cts.
1 Lot.....	No. 93	on Orange Street....	To J. J. Lockwood	10 years	32.50
2 Do	216	Harman St.....	Wm B Crosby....	3years8m.	606.89
2 Do	220	Reason St.....	Jacob Lorillard...	50 years	40.24
1 Do	267	E. of Greenwich Lane	Andrew Smith...	50 Do	35.82
8 Do	285to288	Do Do ..	Do Do ...	20 do	118.87
2 do	293	Christopher Street...	Wm T Lawrence..	25 do	57.94
2 do	294	Amos St.....	do do .	25 do	57.94
1 do	351	13th St.....	do do .	40 "	22.95
7 do	453	Bd Way.....	Thoms Hyatt....	20 "	89.94
1 do	659	Thompson St.....	Thoms Connelly..	30	24.76
1 do	712	Wooster St.....	Stephen Bayard..	7	20.34
1 do	713	do	Corns Cadle.....	8	19.23
1 House & Lot		Harman St.....	B M°Garraghan..	4	401.60

						$.cts.
1 Lot [273]...	No.	93	1st Street.....	G. R. Barker....	17 yrs	103.55
1 House & Lot	"	24	Chapel St.....	D. Demarest.....	5 "	57
1 do do	"	50	do	Thomas Carter...	4 "	68.54
1 do do		85	do	Saml. Davis.....	4 "	66.80
1 do do		647	do	D. Demarest.....	2 "	32.62
1 do do		"	Eldridge St.....	J B Knapp.....	1 "	41.89
1 Lot.....		"	North St.....	Wm T Lawrence..	45 "	80.31
4 do		"	do	George Lovett...	60	290.36.
4 do		"	do	Elijah Whipple...	80	290.36.
1 House & Lot		"	do	do ...	1	123. 4.
1 Lot.....		639	Eldridge St.....	R Graves for J Colyer	3	21.69
						$2705.23.

The St Commissioners begs leave to remark that the property of Abijah Hammond lying on North St. advertized for the regulating of North St. was not offered for sale he having caused an injunction from the Chancellor to be served on the St, Commissioner on the day of Sale

All which is respectfully submitted

(Signed) R Graves
St Commr

Which was directed to be filed

He also presented the following assessments which were confirmed and Assessors appointed Vizt For well and pump in St Johns Lane J. G. Betts Collr For regulating Eldridge st from Stanton to North St and Morris De Camp appointed Collector [274] For regulating and paving Goerck St. from Grand to Delancy St. & Morris De Camp appointed collecr For regulating Harman St. from Montgomery to Grand St & Morris Decamp appointed collr For Regulating Eldridge St from Stanton to North St & M. D. Camp appd Collr

The committee on Applications on the petition of George Harsin reported Vizt

The Petition of George Harsin Praying to be appointed one of the Measurers of Grain and which petition was referred to your committee Beg leave to report *that* from their knowledge and the recommendation annexed to the said petition The following resolution Resolved that George Harsin be appointed one of the Measurers of Grain for this City

(Signed) John Bingham
M Gelston
Gerard De Peyster.

which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The Street committee on the petition of Samuel Jones and others presented the following report.

The Street committee to whom was referred the petition of S Jones & others relative to a cession of Cross lane to the corporation as a public Street Respectfully [275] Report That they have carefully considered the request made by the petitioners and find that the father of the petitioners did in the Year 1806. lay out his property between Broadway and the Bowery and a map filed in the Street commissioners office to that effect on which is designated a lane called Cross lane Twenty feet in width commencing at Bleecker St. and running on a parallel line with Broadway.

And your commᵉᵉ represent that there are a number of owners of lots at present bounded on the said lane and will receive the full benefit thereof when regulated without paying any part of the expense unless the cession is received by the Corporation of the said Lane. And your committee beg leave further to represent that they highly approve of the resolution of the corporation to receive the cession of no street of a less width than thirty feet but inasmuch as this lane was laid out long before the passing of the resolution they believe this ought to be an exception and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Cross lane be received by the Corporation as a public Street agreable to a map filed in the Street Commissioners office by Samuel Jones in the year 1806.

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
[276] George B Thorp

On the question of agreing to the same it passed in the negative the Ayes and Noes having been called were as follows

Negative Aldⁿ Townsend Anthony Bingham Emmons Hammond. Messʳˢ Bolton Valentine Ireland Crane Town Thorn DePeyster Mead

Affirmative Ald. Wyckoff Thorp Mess. Parker Cooper

Aldⁿ Gelston being interested declined voting It was then resolved that the corporation will not hereafter accept of the cession of any street which shall not be of the width thirty feet at least which resolution was directed to be published in the Papers employed by the Board.

The Watch committee to whom was referred the subject of the Foreman of the 1ˢᵗ Watch Distᵗ presented the following report

The Watch commᵉᵉ to whom was referred the Subject of the Assistant Foreman on Captain Leakes Watch

Report that they have had before them the present assistant Nicolas Anderson and are of opinion that by reason of his [277] bad Health he is not capable of doing the duties of Assistant and offer the following resolution

Resolved that Nicolas Anderson be and he is hereby removed from the office of Assistant Foreman to Captain Leake's Watch.

Resolved that Jonas Bush be and he is hereby appointed to fill the Vacancy made by the removal of Nicolas Anderson.

Signed Asa Mann
Francis Cooper
John Bingham
Chas Town
Abm. Valentine

Whereupon the resolutions were adopted and Nicolas Anderson was removed from the office and Jonas Bush appointed in his place.

The Finance committee on the petition of Ann Byvanck & Ebeneezer Stevens reported as follows

The finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of Ebeneezer Stevens and others together with a resolution respecting the payment of the moneys due to the person who built the new pier at crane wharf respectfully report that they have considered the matter and do not see any cause to depart from their former report on the same subject

[278] The following resolution is submitted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the memorialists

(Signed) J. Hammond
Benjn Crane
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Chas Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Ferry committee to whom was referred the memorial of the N. Y & Brooklyn Steam ferry boat company reported *reported* as follows

The Committee on Ferries to whom was referred the Memorial of the Committee for the N. Y. and Brooklyn Steam Ferry boat company objecting to the payment for certain Horse boats and barges received from the corporation on the 1st of May 1814 which were

appraised at $840. and stating that a demand of several Thousand Dr^s against the corporation for expenses incurred by the authority of the then Ferry committee in preparing Beekman Slip for the reception of Steam Boats and concluding with an offer to submit their demands to arbitration together with any demands which the Corpor^n may have against them. Report, That, [279] after a minute investigation of the business they find that on 1^st of May 1814 Mess^rs Hunt and Van Nostrand delivered up the Ferry to Mr Jno. Mott acting on behalf of the company that Mr Mott then received the Horse boats and barges in question—that the Company used them repaired them—and finally suffered some of them to be filled up at the Slip at Brooklyn

Your committee have had an interview with the then ferry committee who say that it was understood at the time that Mr Cutting was to take the boats from the Corporation at the same appraisement at which the Corporation took them from Hunt and Van Nostrand although nothing said of them in their lease—With respect to the demands of the Company against the corporation your Committee having consulted the members of the then Ferry committee, are of opinion that the latter did authorize M^r Cutting to have some work done in Beekman Slip and at Brooklyn for the accommodation of the Steam Ferry boat Your committee have received the annexed certificate signed by Aaron Lyon and John Anderson Stating that the Extra work done by them at Beekman Slip and at Brooklyn amounts to $2250 but it appears to your committee that these accounts have been kept in such a manner [280] and so blended with other accounts of the company that if left to arbitration it would be impossible for three men to settle them correctly As it is necessary that this business which is of more than 7 years standing should now be settled they prefer the plan proposed by the committee of the company to balance accounts with the corporation that is, to credit them with $840. for all repairs and work done by them which will balance this charge against them for the appraisement of the Boats

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution Resolved that upon the New York & Brooklyn Steam Ferry boat company giving to the comptroller a receipt for Eight hundred and forty dollars in full of all demands against the Corporation for Extra work done by them at Beekman Slip and at the Ferry at Brooklyn for the reception of the Steam ferry boat—the Comptroller be requested to credit their account with the above sum in full which sum will balance the acct. which the Corporation have against them

for the appraisement of the ferry boats received by them from the Corporation [281] on the 1st of May 1814

Respectfully submitted
Thomas S Townsend
John P Anthony

New York Jan. 7th 1822.

The question being taken on agreing to the report it was carried in the affirmative the Ayes and Noes, having been called by Aldn Mann the Members voted as follows.

Ayes Aldn Wyckoff, Townsend, Gelston, Anthony, Bingham, Emmons, Thorp, Hammond Messrs Bolton, Valentine Ireland, Crane, Town, Parker, Depeyster Mead 16.

Noes. Aldn Mann Mr. Thorn Mr Cooper 3

Mr Crane on the subject of the resolution proposed by him in relation to the ordinance directing the lying of vessells in the Public Slips reported Viz.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Resolution offered by Mr Crane referring the ordinance in relation to the Lying and fastening of Vessels in the Public Slips Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration & are of opinion that the law ought to be so amended as to make the owner Master. or person having charge of any vessell Responsible for the acts of their hands when ordered to remove or otherwise Your Committee believe the [282] intention of the Law would be rendered perfectly nugatory Inasmuch as Vessells might come into and lye at any Slip during the Season to the annoyance of any loaded vessell So long as either the owner or master should think proper to absent themselves Your Committee would therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the 6th & 18th Section be amended as follows After the word he in the 4th line of the 6th Section insert " or any Seaman Hand or other person employed on board And at the close of the 15th Section insert To be recovered in like manner as is described in the 6th Section

(Signed) J Hammond
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Law was amended agreably to the report

The Law Committee presented a Law on the subject of regulating the measurement & carting of Sea coal which was read, the consideration postponed and was directed to be printed for the use of the members.

[283] The counsel presented articles of agreement between the Corporation and Richard Furman respecting transferring to said Furman the manufactory of Pins at Bellevue and his carrying on said manufactory which said Articles were directed to be duly executed

He Also agreably to the directions of the Board presented the following memorials to the Legislature and corresponding Bills to be enacted into *into* Laws which were directed to be duly authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature at Albany now in Session

"An Act respecting Assessments in the city of New York and for other purposes.

"An Act for the better government of the Alms House in the city of New York.

"An Act for the better regulation of the Public markets in the city of New York

"An Act relative to intelligence offices in the city of New York

An Act to prevent the introduction of Alien paupers into the city of New York

He also presented the draft of a law entitled an Act to lay a duty on Strong liquors and for regulating Inns & Taverns so far as it relates to the city of New York and for other purposes which being read the [284] consideration thereof on motion was postponed and it was directed to be printed for the use of the members Mr Cooper moved that it also be printed in the papers employed by the board the question being thereon taken it passed in the Negative the Ayes and Noes having been called by Mr Cooper seconded by Ald Emmons the members voted as follows

Negative Ald^{n} Wyckoff Townsend Gelston Mann Anthony Bingham Thorp Hammond Mess^{rs} Bolton Valentine Ireland Crane Town Parker Thorn Mead 16.

Affirmative Ald. Emmons Mr Cooper 2.

He also presented the draft of a Law entitled a Law for compensating Watchmen for attending as witnesses the consideration of which was postponed and to be printed for use of the members as also a resolution of the Board passed some time since in relation to this subject

Ald. Mann presented a resolution to authorise the Mayor Recorder or either of the Aldermen to give an order upon the Alms House for a coffin for any deceased person which was referred to the committee on Public offices

[285] He also presented the following which was adopted Resolved that application be made to the Legislature for permission to

erect a Fish market on the South Side of South St in front of Fulton Market and that the counsel prepare the draft of a Law to be presented to the Legislature for that purpose.

Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 24 of December	2648.03
Received for Taxes of 1821 1st 3d 5th & 8th wards	8400.
" Streets	2332.62
" Justices courts	644.97
" Fire Department Sale of Engine No 9	600.
" Wells and Pumps	384.37
Mayoralty Fees	136.
Fines from the Sheriff	90.
Police office	74.25
Commuttition Alien Passengers	30.
Bills of credit received in settlement with W H Bunn	14.37
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised Dec 10 1821	11,000.
	26354.61

50 accounts audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark Do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower Do 3d "	474.75
John Craft Watchman wounded on duty ordd 24 Dec	20.
Abr. Brevoort Inspector of Bread 4 mo to 1st Inst	100.
Philip Becannon do "	100.
[286] Joseph Varick inspector of Bread 4 months to 1st inst.	96.87
Samuel Hutchings Street inspector 1 mo. 1st inst	54.25
Jonathan Pinckney Do " "	54.25
Abraham Ackerman do " "	54.25
Geo Mills asst Board of Health	45.50
Benjn Hicks do "	45.50
Wm J Waldron Assistant City Inspector	45.50
Obadiah Ayres Do Do	45.50
Astin and Cochran Messengers	52.
Chas Gilman Keeper of Battery	34.87
Andrew McCready Keeper of Park	35.72
Daniel H Magee Keeper of Potters field	38.75
Richard Smith Clerk of Washington market	41.
John Bremner Do Catharine "	35.75
Ezra Frost Do 6 markets	33.50
Robert Provoost repairing Lamps	63.38
Geo B Rapalye Clerk Police office Expenses 6 m. 1st Instant	73.13
John White conveying two Police officers to Staten Island	25.
J Hays & 5 other police offis attd at City Hall Sales of Stalls of Fulton Market	9.
Tucker and Woodruff acct. Mason Work fulton Mart	4000.
Geo Hirst fine remitted	10.

G Tucker acct. Stone work for Park railing.....	1000.	
James Wallace bal. on acct. principal on Minetto Sewr....	414.36	
" " " of interest on Do	73.19	
James Mehan balance repaving First St from Bowery to 1st Avenue	173.19	
[287] John Culbert Acct paving First St from Bowery to 1st Avenue	100.	
John Sloan bal. for Curbing and gutter fr Bowery to 1st Avenue	30.68	
Amos Corning in full for Surveys and Maps 1st inst.....	740.71	
James Bleecker Comrs of sales of 24 Lots of Land sold at Delinquent Sale	48.	
Johnson Verplanck publishing notice do ".....	75.	
Wm Mackin flagging front New Eng House Eldridge.....	47.49	
Robert Pettigrew bal. on well in Harman Near Rutgers St.	40.59	
Do Do first payment on Well Orange n Grand St.	34.30	
Geo. Charlton bal. for Well Broome n Mercer.....	26.28	
R Pettigrew bal for Well Willett near Rivington st.....	26.10	
J Fleming Treasr for Bills of Credit cancelled 29 Dec.....	81.91	
Mechanics Bank interest on 4 bonds to 1st of Jan.....	333.99	
Treasurer of Humane Society ordered 24 Dec.....	200.	
Jacob P Roome Supt repairs for Docks & Slips.....	9221.63	
J P Roome Do for repairs Bulkhead in front of Fulton market	950.	
J P Roome Do for repairs	564.	
J P Roome Do for Fire Department.....	366.	
Arthur. Burtis Superintendant Alms House.....	4000.	
Arthur Burtis do for 3d Avenue.....	500.	26.282.22
	Balance	$72.39

[288] Special Meeting In Common Council Jany 15th 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Maltby Gelston	Abraham Valentine
John P Anthony	Wm H Ireland
John Bingham	Charles Town
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Isaac Emmons	

His Honor the Mayor stated that he had summoned the board at the request of the Alderman & Assistant of the 2nd ward for the purpose of supplying the place of the inspectors of the election who was ill

Assistant Ald^{n} Valentine stated that Mr W^{m} M Hewlett one of the inspectors of the 2nd ward lay dangerously ill & was unable to attend the Election to commence this day and that the other Two inspectors were very desirous another [289] should be appointed in his place Whereupon Thomas A Ronalds was appointed inspector in his place.

Board adjourned

In Common Council January 21st 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esq^{r} Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	W^{m} H Ireland
Thomas S Townsend	Benj^{n} Crane
Maltby Gelston	Cha^{s} Town
John P Anthony	Shivers Parker
John Bingham	W^{m} Thorn
Robert McQueen	Francis Cooper
Asa Mann	Henry Mead
Isaac Emmons	
George B Thorp	
Judah Hammond	

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting were read and approved

A petition from a committee of the Fire Departm^{t} [290] of the city stating that the law in relation to keeping and transporting Gun Powder was defective and praying an amendment thereto was referred to the com^{ee} on Laws.

A petition that Peck Slip may be filled up to South St and a remonstrance against the same were presented and referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition of Mary Ann Tallman for relief Stating that she was released some time since from the Penitentiary on condition of leaving the city for one year that she went into Jersey where she remained untill she had expended all her money and every thing of value she possessed & was therefore necessitated to come into the city where she had some friends that she has been prosecuted on her Recognisance and a judgement rendered against her upon which she is now in prison & pray^{s} to be relieved from such judgement, was referred to the Police committee

[291] A petition of John Givan to be releived from a fine incurred under the Law respecting the digging of vaults the neglect complained

of having occurred in consequence of petitioners having left the city was referred to the Police committee.

A petition from Mary Ludlow for a relief from personal Tax assesed on her was referred to the committee on Assessments.

A memorial from Merchants concerned in the Southern Trade particularly to Charleston Savannah & Alabama was received stating that coasters to those places have no particular place assigned them for their accommodation in this port and praying that Fly market Slip may be assigned as a public Slip or basin in like manner as are the coffee House Slip and Old Slip which being read was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition of Morgan Lewis and others proprietors of the Marsch or meadow land lying East of north St. between Avenue B, and the East river was read stating that the land above referred to can never be improved so as to indemnify the owners [292] for the expense of filling in the same unless upon an elevation much less than that contemplated for North St, that the peculiar situation of that ground also requires in their opinion a different arrangement of the avenues & Streets than that laid down by the Commissioners of Streets and Roads they therefore request the board to take the same into considerat^{n} and if they should be of the opinion with the petitioners that the board would make the necessary application to the Legislature for an alteration of the said plan of the commissioners which having been read was referred to the Street Committee

A petition that Lawrence Street and the lots fronting thereon from Grand St to canal Street be filled up was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of John Vogel for license as a butcher & to be assigned to Stall N^{o} 42 Catharine Market of Peter M Granger for Stall N^{o} in Fulton Market of Owen Monaghan for Stall N^{o} 33 Catharine market A petition of Andrew Wheeler [293] [&] John Redman to be permitted to exchange with each other Stall N^{o} 9 & 10 Fulton market leased by them a remonstrance of Joseph O Bogert against permitting said Wheeler and Redman to exchange with each other of James Sandford for license and for Stall N^{o} 16 cath. market of Danl. Harmony for license & for Stall N^{o} 13 Cath^{e} Market were severally read and referred to the Market committee with authority to grant the Prayer of the Petitioners

A petition of Abeel Brush lessee of cellar N^{o} 21 under Fulton market requesting permission to cut a door at the window of the cellar

on South Street and recommending framing the cellar doors outward and a

Petition from Smith & Maintain lessees of Cellar N° 7 requesting permission to alter the cellar door so as to frame it outside like a Store door were read and referred to the Market committee with authority to grant their requests

A petition from N. Rogers & others Freeholders & Lessees of property in the vicinity of the Fly market praying that said market may be taken down [294] and removed with all convenient speed after the opening of Fulton Market and requesting also that Fly market Slip may be reserved as a public Slip or basin for river craft which being read the request respecting the removal of the market was referred to the market committee and the subject of reserving the Slip for a Public Slip or basin was referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A memorial of Richard Walker physician and Surgeon to the city prison and Gaol requesting in consideration of his encreased duties that his compensation may be encreased was referred to the Finance comm^ee

A communication was received from Alpheus Sherman Esq^r late atty. of the corporation on the subject of the claim of Cha^s Udall a city measurer for relief from the costs of a proceeding against him by the Corporation of Brooklyn

The comm^ee on Public offices to whom had been referred the petition of Cha^s Udall also presented a report which being read was as follows

[295] The committee on Public offices to whom was referred the Petition of Cha^s Udall one of the measurers of Grain Report.

That they have had the subject under consideration Since the 10^th of October last and have never been able untill this time to form any opinion on its merits

It appears that in 1819 M^r Udall was instructed to cross over to Brooklyn to measure some grain then discharging from a Vessell along side of one of the Wharves believing that the Charter would bear him out as those Stores were considerably below low water mark but the Corporation of Brooklyn or the Town officers feeling a disposition to repel what they considered their rights brought an action against him before Justice Nichols and recovered a penalty of $25 Immediately on the judgement being known Mr Udell petitioned the board which petition is made mention of on the minutes of the Corporation in April 1819 as being referred to the Law committee with powers

and it appears by a "document rendered the Committee by Mr Sherman Signed by Aldn King and Mr Van Amringe hereunto annexed that the attorney was instructed to carry the proceedings up to the Supreme Court where it appears the judgement was confirmed and the object of the [296] *of the* present petition is for the Board to relieve him from the execution taken out against him and only Suspended untill the sentiments of the Board can be ascertained.

Your Committee are of opinion that inasmuch as Mr Udall has conformed to the instructions received from a Committee of this Board he ought to be relieved and would therefore beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that Chas Udall be exonerated and that the Corporation assume the amount of Judgement obtained against him together with Such costs as may have accrued in the removal of said suit and that Mr Sherman make a return of the same in his account.

Respectfully submitted

Signed B. Crane
Francis Cooper
William Thorn
Ab. Valentine.

The document referred to in the above report is as follows

Dr Sir—Chas Udall a measurer appointed by the Corporation [297] has been fined for prosecuting his business on the Brooklyn shore north west of low water mark and his petition asking for relief was referred to the Committee on Laws. I understand the Corporation of Brooklyn has lately taken high grounds in respect to the jurisdiction of this city which no doubt are unwarranted

It is the wish of the Law Committee that you immediately remove the proceedings had before Justice Nichols of Brooklyn to the Supreme court by certiorari in order that the contest may be put at rest The committee think it necessary to add that although the individual case is of small importance yet as a precedent for other pretensions it is of magnitude, they therefore hope you will give the case a very serious consideration

Very respectfully Your M Obt. Svt

(Signed) W. F Van Amringe
E. W. King.

New York 28th April 1819

To A Sherman Esqr

Mr Sherman also presented a Statement of cases prosecuted by him while attorney in which judgement passed against the corporation Viz[t] that of Mayor &c vice Luke Kip

The same vice Frederick Depeyster cause discontinued

[298] Mayor &c vice Henry Harris	costs remitted by corporation
The Same vice Joseph Dean	verdict against corporation
The Same vice Isaac Lockwood	Defendant became insolvent

The costs due he stated as follows Viz[t]

In case of Luke Kipp	$121.76
" " Depeyster	93.89
" " Dean	81.23
Harsin	25.64
Lockwood	25.64
	348.16
To indemnify Udall	136.27
	$484.43

Whereupon the same was referred to the Finance committee

A petition of Eliphalet Williams for relief from a personal Tax assessed on him was referred to the committee on Assessments

An account of Le Grand Jarvis for survey [299] of the Jail Limits agreably to the order of the court of Com. Pleas amounting to $38 was referred to the Finance committee

A petition of Benjamin Bailey for one months rent of a building occupied by the Board of Health in 1819 was read and ordered to be laid on table

A petition of the Lessees of the cellars under the Fulton market requesting permission to remove the windows in the said cellars and to make doors in their Stead and to make other alterations therein was read and referred to the Market committee to report.

A petition of Isaac Valentine Lessee of Hay scales at Gouverneur Slip praying on account of the injuries he received by the Stone Boats that a reduction be made on the rent to be paid by him was read and referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition of Saml. Paxton auctioneer requesting to be permitted to sell Furniture in the Street in front of his Store N° 73 Wall Street was referred to the Street committee

[300] A petition of W^m Simmons for appointment of keeper of Potters field was referred to the committee on Applications

A petition of Thomas H Smith for the use of the Mud Machine to cleanse out a dock at Brooklyn was referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition of Saml H Maginnis requesting that a stoop lately repaired by him at N° 19 Dey St may be permitted to remain was referred to the Street committee.

A petition of Samuel Ward to be appointed Inspector of Manure was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of John J Westervelt Executor of Peter De Baum Deceased requesting payment of a balance of $322 44/100 due Testator for regulating Bedford Street was referred to the Finance committee.

A petition of Joseph Varey for relief from a penalty incurred under the Hack Law by one of his Drivers was referred to the Police committee

[301] The following were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies.

Fire Eng. N° 5.

James Whitlock Tinman 192 Water Street vice William T Willis resigned

N° 6.

John W Lent Carpenter Sullivan St. vice Isaac White Head app^d Fire warden

Cornelius Underwood Carpenter Sullivan St vice Caleb Crane Joined N° 1

N° 13

Edward N Tailer Accountant 30 Broadway vice William W Simes left the city

N 25

Frederick Augustus Guion Accountant 32 Reed Street vice W^m French Resigned

N° 29.

Joshua Hyde Butcher Greenwich St vice Jasper *Maybe* [Mabie] Time expired

The comptroller reported that he had examined the account of Judah Hammond Esq[r] Treasurer of Board of Health that he had received $2000.
He had expended agreably to vouchers from the 3[d] July to 27[th] of Decem[r] 1821 ..... 1966. 5

Balance due Corp[n] $33.95

Which he had this day paid into the Treasury whereupon the same was directed to be filed

[302] Benjamin Prince Esq[r] Public administrator presented his account for the Year 1821 which was referred to the Finance comm[ee]

The Street Com[r] presented the following Assessments which were confirmed Viz

For regulating and curbing Bleecker St from Wooster Street to Laurens St & John G Betts app[d] collector

For regulating and repaving Howard St from Broad Way to Mercer Street & J. G. Betts was appointed collector

And for a Well and pump in Pitt near Grand St and Morris De Camp app[d] collector

He also presented returns of Delinquents on the following Assessments & Warrants were ordered to issue for collecting the same Viz[t]

For regulating Lombardy Street For paving Side walks in Arundel St. for paving Roosevelt St from Front St to the River for regulating and repaving Front St. from Dover St to East of Roosevelt St.

William S Johnson Esq[r] on behalf of the counsel presented a report in the case of John Vreeland which was referred to the Finance comm[ee]

[303] The City Inspector presented Ordinances for the correction of Nuisances which were passed

The city Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correction of nuisances Viz[t]

N[o]	1	R M *Phelps* [Hicks]	Occupant	276	Pearl St.	A Privy
	2	J Tonnele	D[o]	284	D[o]	D[o]
	3	S. Redmond	D[o]	286	D[o]	D[o]
	4	John T Duryea	D[o]	56	Water St	D[o]
	5	Sam[l] Storms	D[o]	58	"	"
	6	Sam[l] Thompson	"	212	"	"
	7	J L Norwood	"	218	"	"
	8	B Bunker	"	220	"	"
	9	A Potter	"	226	"	"
	10	J Werney	"	11	Henry St	"
	11	W[m] Currell	"	13	"	"
	12	M McClure	"	64	Gold St	"
	13	F Thompson	"	10	Beekman	"
	14	C W Vanranst	"	14	"	"

15	B Halsted	Occupant	32	Beekman	A Privy
16	J Banks	"	60	"	"
17	J B Walker	"	62	"	"
18	M Welsh	"	66	"	"
19	J V Waldron	"	82	"	"
20	Sadler & Rielly	"	75	Fulton	"
21	C Conolly	"	83	"	"
22	R Bogue	"	89	"	"
23	T Jennings	"	65	Nassau	"
24	P. Jones	"	67	"	"
25	[304] J Many	"	73	"	"
26	G Joseph	"	79½	"	"
27	C Parr	"	79	"	"
28	J. C. Candler	"	83	"	"
29	Howe & Bolman	"	29	Ann St	"
30	Wm Luyster	"	29	"	"
31	J Sherwood	"	36	"	"
32	Wm Hagner	"	57	"	"
33	H Barton	"	59	"	"
34	J Pool	"	62	"	"
35	O D Ward	"	63	"	"
36	T Jenkins	"	64	"	"
37	S Snow	"	71	"	"
38	C Cadle	"	86 & 88	William St	"
39	J Hedden	"	96	"	"
40	J Middelberger	"	98	"	"
41	R Wiser	"	146	"	"
42	A Laurent	"	148	"	"
43	Js E Betts	"	150	"	"
44	J Waterbury	"	158	"	"
45	J. D. Robinson	"	159	"	"

City Inspectors office 21st Jan. 1822

Signed Geo. Cumming
city Inspr

[305] He also presented the Annual Return of Interments & Deaths with an Account of the Diseases of which the Persons died which was directed to be printed for the use of the members from this report it appears that there died between the 1st of Jany and 31 Decr 1821 of

Men	974
Women	835
Boys	892
Girls	841
Total	3542

Of These there were of the age of one year & under		825
Between	1 & 2	369
"	2 & 5	261
"	5 & 10	122
"	10 & 20	158
"	20 & 30	445
"	30 & 40	446
"	40 & 50	346
"	50 & 60	243
"	60 & 70	175
"	70 & 80	79
"	80 & 90	57
"	90 & 100	15
"	100 & upward	1
		3542

Of these Seven hundred and fifteen died of consumption

[306] The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of John Davenport reported as follows.

The market committee to whom was referred the petition of John Davenport Butcher praying to be allowed the priviledge of paying fees instead of the rent assessed upon his Stall alledging that he purchased a Stand in the upper Fly Market and sometime thereafter made an exchange with the corporation for the one he now occupies in Washington market and paid them Five hundred dollars in exchange

Your committee beg leave to report that they have had the subject under consideration for a length of time and have investigated the merits of the claim set up by the petitioner but they cannot perceive any cause why he should be put on a different footing from the other butchers in said market they therefore are induced to offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient [307] to grant the prayer of the petitioner and that the attorney of the board be instructed to take legal measures for the recovery of the rent now due from him

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston
Isaac Emmons
Charles Town

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Alderman of the Ninth ward on the petition of Abraham Springsteen Jun^{r} for commission of Weigher of Hay reported Viz^{t}

The undersigned having deliberated on the within application beg

leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution Resolved That Abraham Springsteen Junr be appointed a weigher of Hay at Kips Bay in the 9th Ward

(Signed) George B Thorp

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The committee of Charity on the petition of the society for the relief of Indigent & Aged females reported

[308] The committee of Charity to whom the application of the Association for the relief of respectable aged indigent Females was referred soliciting assistance and stating that at no former period they so much needed it to enable them to extend their benevolence Report, that they believe the representation in their application to be true and that those ladies are disposed to do all the good in their power by relieving the wants of those aged females. Your committee however think that all public charity should be dispensed through the Alms House, if those charitable societys do exist they should be wholly supported by individual Subscriptions or donations

Your committee think it inexpedient to grant their request. They beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the relief solicited

respectfully submitted

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[309] The committee on Pub. offices to whom was referred resolution respecting the delivery of Coffins upon the order of members of the Board presented a report in favour of the resolution which after having been amended and after some considerable discussion was finally negatived

The committee on Assessments on the petition of Wm G. Henshaw reported vizt

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Wm G Henshaw Stating that he was absent at the time the assessment was made for Taxes in this city and not till the Collector called on him for the payment did he know that he was assessed $2500 personal Estate when in reality he cannot say that he is personally worth more than $500. and praying relief in the premises

Report that they have had this subject under consideration and from the representations made to them by the Petitioner together with

the Certificate of the Assessor of the ward on that subject they are fully satisfied that the petitioner is entitled to relief and therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the collector [310] of the 8th ward be instructed to receive personal Tax from William G Henshaw on $500 in lieu of $2500. and that he return the balance in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward.

Jan. 21st 1823

(Signed) Chas Town
John P Anthony
John Bingham
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The committee on Applications on the Petition of Richard Wenman for the appointmt of Measurer of Lime, reported as follows.

The committee of Applications to whom was referred the petition of Richard Wenman praying to [be] appointed to the office of Inspector of Lime in the room of Stephen Ogden deceased

Report. that from the knowledge of one of your committee of the petitioner and the respectable recommendation attached to the petition beg leave to report the following resolution Resolved that Richard Wenman be appointed one of the Measurers of Lime.

[311] (Signed) John Bingham
M. Gelston.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Finance committee presented an Annual account of the Fiscal concerns of the corporation which was directed to be printed for the use of the members and the consideration postponed.

The following resolution was presented by Mr Valentine & adopted Viz[t]

Whereas certain Butchers and others occupying and claiming certain stands in the Fly market which were obtained from the Common Council in the Year 1796 and Fulton market being open and ready for occupation and it having been intimated that claimants or occupants of the said stands are apprehensive that a voluntary relinquishment thereof might tend to invalidate their respective alledged claims thereto therefore

Resolved that the voluntary relinquishment of the before mentioned stands shall not be considered by this board as giving to the

Common Council any claim or advantage in Law or equity in or about the said Stand and shall not be taken or construed to prejudice the rights of either party

[312] Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be and he is hereby authorised to keep in repair the Chain on the Easterly side of the Ferry at the foot of Catharine Slip.

Alderman Wyckoff presented the following which was adopted Resolved that the Deputy clerk of Fulton Market be allowed a salary of Five hundred dollars per annum and the priviledge of occupying the upper part of the centre building on Front of said market.

He also presented the following which was adopted Resolved that the Street commissioner with the advice of the Market committee be instructed to arrange alter and improve the several markets in this city Fulton market excepted in such manner that the several stands thereon may be rented at Public Auction at the expiration of the present term for which the Butchers Stands are let.

Alderman Hammond presented the following which was referred to the road committee Resolved that the Street commissioner be requested to take [313] the necessary measures for the repair of the first Avenue so as that it may be rendered safe for Passengers.

Mr Cooper presented a resolution that a committee be appointed to take into consideration the Law relative to the assize of Bread & to report thereon which was directed to be laid on the table

Mr Crane presented a law entitled a " Law to *to* amend the Law to regulate the lying of vessells at the public Wharves and to establish the rate of Wharfage passed 19th of February 1821 which was read and passed By this Law the eleventh section of the Law amended was repealed

The proposed bill to be enacted into a Law to be entitled An Act to lay a duty on Strong liquors and for regulating Inns and Taverns so far as it relates to the city of New York and which had been laid for consideration was now called up the same was amended and after considerable discussion was approved and directed to be transmitted to the Legislature now in Session at Albany

[314] The Act was as follows

An Act to amend an Act entitled " An Act to lay a duty on strong liquors and for regulating Inns and Taverns so far as it relates to the city of New York and for other purposes

Be it enacted by the people of the state of New York represented in Senate and Assembly that the Mayor of the city of New York for

the time being, together with two Aldermen of the said city and no other person or persons whatsoever shall have power and authority in pursuance of the provisions of the Act entitled An Act to lay a duty on Strong liquors and for regulating Inns and Taverns and in pursuance of the provisions of the charter of the said city to grant licenses to such persons as they shall deem just and proper to retail Strong or spirituous liquors under five gallons or to keep an Inn or Tavern Public ordinary or victualling house within said city and also shall demand and receive from every such person to whom any such license shall be granted the sum of Fifteen dollars for every such license which licenses shall be granted under their hands and the [315] public seal of the said city

And be it further enacted, That if any person shall keep an Inn or Tavern, Public ordinary or Victualling House or shall sell or deliver in pursuance of any sale any quantity less than Thirty two gallons of strong or spirituous liquors within said city without having such license as aforesaid every such person shall for every such offence forfeit and pay the sum of 25 dollars to be sued for and recovered with costs of suit in an action of Debt in the name of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York in any court having cognizance thereof.

And be it further enacted. That such license shall be issued and shall take effect at such times as the Mayor Aldermen and commonalty of the city of New York in Common Council convened may from time to time direct And further that no such license shall continue and be in force for a longer term than the first day of May next succeeding the term it shall take effect

And be it further enacted That each of the Aldermen of the said city who shall so attend upon the granting of said licenses, shall receive such compensation for each and every day they [316] shall respectively so attend as the common council may from time to time allow: the Aldermen of said city for attending as Judges of the court of General Sessions of the Peace to be paid out of the Treasury of said city

And be it further enacted That no such license shall be granted to any person who is not of good moral character or who keeps a house which is not decent orderly or well conducted or who is not a citizen of the United States. Provided nevertheless that it shall be lawful for the said Mayor and Aldermen in their discretion to grant such licenses to such aliens as are now licensed for the purposes aforesaid in said city.

And be it further enacted That from and after the first day of January 1822 no such license shall be granted to any person in said city who shall not first pay the said Mayor and Aldermen for the use of the said city the sum of Fifty dollars provided nevertheless that it Shall not be lawful to demand from any person who may then hold any such license in the said city more than fifteen dollars for granting any such person a [317] new license for the purpose aforesaid.

on the final question being taken upon the Bill the Ayes & Noes having been called by Ald. Emmons the members voted as follows

Ayes His Honor the Mayor Mr Recorder Aldn Wyckoff Townsend Gelston, Anthony, Bingham *Anthony* McQueen Thorp Hammond Messrs Bolton Crane, Town, Parker, Thorn, Mead, 16.

Noes Aldn Mann Emmons Messrs Valentine Ireland Cooper 5.

The counsel was then directed to make any necessary verbal amendments to the Bill and have the same engrossed & transmitted as above.

The Law to compensate Watchmen for attending as witnesses was called up and after some discussion was referred to the committee on Laws

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 7th Jany	$72.39	
Recd for Tax of 1821 2d, 3, 5, 6, 8th, wards	8450.	
" Streets	1341.	
Commutation Alien Passengers	335.	
Fines from the Sheriff	25.	
		$10.223.39

[318] 31 Accounts audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark " 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	435.75
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder 1. Qr Salary 1 inst	375.
R Graves St Comr " " 15 "	375.
G B Smith Assistant Do	250.
G N Bleecker making book of Jurors and writing tickets	150.
John Y Cebra & others inspecrs 1st Ward Election	39.
John Sutphen " " 2nd "	39.
John J Labagh " " 3d "	39.
Abrm Bloodgood " 4th "	39.
R Bunner " 5th	39.
Richard L Walker " 6th	39.
Abrm Dally " 7th	39.
Jacob B Taylor " 8th	39.
Thomas Miller " 9th	39.
Morris De Camp " 10th	39.

Jones & Clinch Drag ropes for Engines	96. 6	
N Comstock 12 Casks of Oil	880.95	
Benjn Birdsall balance for iron fence at park	322.37	
Wm Cruikshank Wharfage at Pier No 3 of Sloops delivering Stone for the Battery	4.	
Abeesh A [Abisha] Smith Accot flagging Fulton Market	2000.	
James Bleecker's Commissions on Sale of Butchers Stalls and cellars at Fulton Market	237.	
[319] A H Mooney acct regulating & paving Front near Dover Street	450.	
A H Mooney acct. regs *Lisperand* [Lispenard] St from Church to Broadway	100.	
John Brown regs Gouverneur St fr. Division to Harman	97.90	
Abrm Dally and Associates Assessing to 1 Jan 1822	258.	
Legrand Jarvis Surveying Map of Bleecker st	32.50	
Jacob P Roome Supt Repairs for repairs	1110.	
J. P Roome Do Fire Departmt	323.	
F B Winthrop Treasr City Dispenry Annual Donation	500.	10045. 3
Balance		178.36

Board Adjourned

[320] In Common Council. Feb. 4th 1822.

Present The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abraham Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H. Ireland
John P Anthony	Benn Crane
John Bingham	Chas Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	Wm Thorn
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Gerard Depeyster
	Henry Mead.

The minutes of Last meeting were read and approved

A memorial from Fire Engine Company No 15 stating that the Engine House having been removed to collect St. they find the same inconvenient and recommend the removal of it to the situation lately occupied by No 19 in Christy Street near Bayard Street which was referred to the commee on the Fire Department.

[321] A petition of Isaac Asten Sweeper of Fulton market praying an additional compensation for the duties performed bv him was referred to the market committee

A Memorial was presented from the butchers of the Fulton Market stating that persons not Farmers resort to the said market and sell

meat therein greatly to the injury of the licensed butchers and contrary to the ordinance of the Corporation which restrains others than licensed butchers and Farmers who raise the cattle on their own Farms from selling meat in said Market & praying relief was referred to the market committee

The collector of Arrears of Taxes presented the following statement respecting a Lot sold to Abraham R Lawrence

New York Feb. 4 1822

To the Mayor Aldermen and Common Council

The Collector of Arrears of Taxes respectfully asks leave to represent to your Honorable body that for several years last past there has been charged on the Tax book of the 7th ward a tax against a lot of ground said to be on Scammel street and known on the Map of the 7th ward as [322] No. 1707 stated to belong to unknown owners that the said taxes so assessed were not paid to the collector of the 7th ward but returned year after year in his list of insolvents and delinquencies of the said ward that the subscriber endeavored (but ineffectually) to discover the owner of the said lot and finally that it was advertised for three months according to law and sold on the 9th of December to Abraham R Lawrence who then paid $47.$^{5}/_{100}$ being the amount of taxes then due with interest and cost of Sale which sum together with other monies received on that sale was paid into the treasury Some considerable time afterward circumstances arose which created doubts whether there was in reality any such Lot of Ground as that described by N° 1707. on the map of the 7th ward and the subscriber took the necessary steps to ascertain the truth by making a survey of the whole ground on the north Easterly side of Scammel Street from Lombardy to Harman Street the result of which has satisfied him that *that* no such ground is in existence and he further begs leave to state this belief that the mistake has [323] arisen from the following circumstance.

The lots on Scammel Street as owned and occupied are each 27 feet in front on the Street whereas on the map of the 7th ward they are represented as being 25 feet front only by which means a greater number of Lots are shown on the Map than there are on the Ground

The collector respectfully submits the foregoing statement to the honble the Common Council in order that such measure may be taken in the premises as to them shall appear just and proper

(Signed) Geo. B Smith
Collector Arrears

Whereupon the comptroller was directed to report a warrant for repayment to Abraham R Lawrence of the principal & Interest of the sum so paid by him

A petition of Adam Fisher for License & for stall N° 38 Catharine Market A petition of Mead Darragh for permission to sell meat at a stall at Old Slip And a petition of John Ludlum for a license as a butcher were read and referred to the Market committee.

[324] A petition of Richard Smith John Brenmer and Peter Ammerman Deputy clerks of several markets praying to receive further compensation for their services was referred to the Market committee

Petitions from George Duryee and of Peter Bannon for appointment as Deputy clerk of the proposed [Market] to be erected at Old Slip were read and referred to the Market committee

Petitions from Thomas Hammond and G Underhill were received stating that they are Farmers residing in Westchester county that they had slaughtered some cattle which they had raised upon their own Farms and brought them to the city for sale that supposing they were authorised so to do they had sold the meat by the quarter from their wagons in the Bowery that they had been prosecuted and fined therefor as contrary to the market Law and praying relief Whereupon the same was referred to the Market committee

[325] A remonstrance from the butchers of Catharine market & from the inhabitants residing in the vicinity complaining of persons selling meat from wagons on the Bowery to the detriment of the licensed Butchers in the regular markets was referred to the market committee

A petition of Isaac Fairchild lessee of room No 16 Fulton Market requesting permission to transfer his lease of the same to Joshua Sawyer & George P Babcock was referred to the Finance committee.

A petition of Stewart Elder for permission to assign the lease of Cellar N° 9 Fulton market to Richard Meriam was referred to the Finance committee.

A pet. from Ludlow Dashwood as agent for Danl C Verplanck one of the Executors of Robert Crommeline deceased was received stating that on the 17th of Jany 1804 the corporation granted to Danl Ludlow Francis Lewis and Petitioner as Executors of Rob. Crommeline dec^{d} a water Lot between Front and South St on the East side of an Alley [326] called Crane wharf ally with a grant of the wharfage that the Corporation have lately caused a pier to be built opposite to said Water

lot whereby they are deprived of the right of wharfage and praying relief which was referred to the Finance committee.

A Pet of James Bogert Jun^{r} for relief from a Personal Tax assessed on him in the 3^{d} ward he having paid personal Tax in the 9th ward was ref^{d} to the committee on Assessments

A petition of Isaac L Burr for relief from a personal Tax assessed on him was referred to the same committee

A petition of N G. Minturn for relief from an undue assessment of Personal Tax accompanied with a certificate from the assessors of the ward was referred to the committee on Assessments.

A petition of Mary Watts by John Watts Jun^{r} her agent for relief from an undue assessment of Personal tax accompanied with [327] a certificate from the Assessors of the ward was read and referred to the same committee

A petition of W^{m} S. Smith collector of corporation revenue praying an increase of Compensation for his services was referred to the Finance Committee.

A letter from Chauncey Hall stating an invention of his for stone pumps and gutters; was referred to the Superintendant of repairs.

A petition that Wooster Street may be regulated from Canal to Spring Street was referred to the Street committee

A petition of Safety Magee for relief from a mistaken Assessment on his house N^{o} 56 william St accompanied with a certificate from the Assessors of the ward was referred to the committee on Assessments

A petition of James F Palmer stating that he was owner of a Triangular piece of ground in the 10th Ward at the junction of Grand and Division Streets that [328] *that* he was desirous of ceding the same for a street accompanied with a deed of cession of the same duly executed was presented Whereupon it was resolved that the said Cession be accepted.

A petition of Whitfield Case for relief from penalties incurred as sub contractor for part of Street manure of the Eastern District was read and referred to the Street comm^{ee}

A letter from Charles E Dudley Mayor of the city *of the city* of Albany was received stating that the corporation of the city of Albany believing that the distance between the Cities of Albany and N York was less than the regulations of the Post office had fixed it at caused surveys to be made which resulted in reducing the distance so that letters now pay 12½ cents instead of 18 cents as formerly that as the survey has been of service to the Inhabitants of the city of New

York as well as those of Albany he presumes that a portion of the expence [329] of the Survey should be born by the city of New York: an account of Amount of Expence was accordingly therewith transmitted whereupon the same was referred to the Finance committee

His Honor the Mayor as President of the Sailors Snug Harbor presented a report of the Funds & Annual income of that Institution which was directed to be filed.

Statement of the Funds And Annual Income of the Sailors Snug Harbor.

Rents				3328.50
Of Houses and Lots				
Interest on Stock				
U States	$21897	Six per cents.....	1373.88	
	1430	deferred	110.45	
	742	Three pr Ct.....	21.68	
New York	5200	Six pr Ct.....	312.	
Corporation	3000	do	180.	1998.01
Bank Stock				
Manhattan	246	Shares @ 9.....	1107.	
Mechanics	78	" " 7.....	136.50	
City	42	" " 5.....	105.	1348.50
Fire Insurance Stock				
Mutual	125	Shares 9.....	562.50	
Eagle	66	do.....	297.	859.50
[330] Bonds and Mortgages $10500 @ 7 per cent.....				735.
				$8269.51

New York Decr 31st 1821.

(Signed) Stephen Allen
President
of the board of
Trustees

Total principal
about $114 000

A petition of Richard Platt for appointment to some office under the corporation was referred to the com. on Applications

A petition from the inhabitants in the vicinity praying that Pump No 27 in the 10th Ward may be removed to the East side of Grand Street at their own expence was referred to the Ald. and Assistant of the ward and Street Commissioner

A petition of Sundry Merchants and others concerned in Shipping was received requesting that a law might be passed that all vessels bringing ballast *ballast* for sale may be measured and the tonnage [331] of each vessell distinctly marked on said vessells in order that no frauds may be committed by the vendors of in the sale of ballast— Whereupon the same was referred to the committee on Laws.

The following were appointed Firemen the chief Engineer certifying the vacancies.

Fire Engine Company N° 13.

Gideon Angelis Accountant Cherry Street
Vice Jacob T Doty Resigned

Thomas H Faile Grocer Front c Peck Slip
Vice Richard Ustick left the city

Frederick McKensie Accountant Pearl N Chatham
vice Peter Townsend Left the city

N° 16.

John Bradshaw Sadler N° 2 Liberty St
vice John Middleberger Resigned

John C Franklin Merchant 37 Liberty St
vice James Magee Resigned

John Morange Engraver 3 Spruce vice Will[m] Lowery Resig[d]

N° 17.

Tobias Dyke Shipwright 62 Chrystie St.
vice John Ruckel Resigned

Bartho[w] Meat[1]io D° 354 Water Street
Vice Abraham Riker Resigned

[332] N° 18.

William Underhill Merchant 11 Mott St
vice Isaac Hatch Resigned

James N Chattin Blacksmith 35 Spruce St.
vice Thomas Webster Appointed F. W.

N° 20.

Thomas Tompson Baker 22 Liberty Street
vice John J Labagh 113 Liberty St. Res[d]

N° 21.

W[m] M Vermilye Printer 19 John Street
vice John O Walsh Resigned

N° 25

Walter M Smith Accountant 172 W^m St.
vice John P Horton Resigned

Aaron Burr Hays Accountant 22 Lispenard
vice Samuel Mills Orange. 90 Res^d

Moses Tucker Merchant 111 Chatham
vice Hen Peacock Resigned

N° 30.

Stephen Rudd Jun^r Rope Maker 65 Allen.
vice James Carstang time Expired

N° 40

Tim^y Cornwell chair maker 118 *Herry* [Harman] Street
vice James Jarvis resigned

Hose company N° 1.

Henry Robinson Cloathier, Bowery n Pump.
vice W^m M Halstead resigned

[333] Hook & Ladder N° 2

Benj^a J Scribner Grocer 92 Catharine Street
vice Cha^s Rollinson Joined another company

Charles Rollinson Eng^r 28 Pine Street
vice Isaac Underhill Resig^d

The Street Commissioner presented a Communication on the subject of Regulation of the ground which will be left vacant by the removal of the Fly Market and of the Streets adjacent thereto which was referred to the Street Committee

He also presented an Assessment for a Well and Pump in Orange near Grand St. and for one in East Bank St. which were confirmed and Noah Jarvis app^d collector in the first and John G Betts in the last.

The city inspector presented ordinances for correction of Nuisances which were passed

The city inspector respectfully reports to the Board the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

N° 1	M Sice	Owner	72 Reed	St	A Lot.
2	B McLeod	D°	173 Hester	"	D°
3	P Phelan	D°	Market	"	D°
4	E Ayres	D°	195 Church		A Privy
5	[334] J. Coddington	Occupant	204 Front	St	D°
6	J Conolly	D°	87 Nassau		D°

7	Mrs Hullin	Occupant	45	Beekman	A Privy
8	C Perkins	Do	96	Greenwich	Do
9	N Philips	Do	98	Do	Do
10	Wm Suydam	Do	69	Cliff	Do
11	Wm Cumbold	Do	71	"	"
12	N Jackson	"	203	Water	"
13	G Thompson	"	205	Do	"
14	R D Hamilton	"	211	Do	"
15	P Jackson	"	219	Do	"
16	Mrs Gatfield	"	12	Spruce	"
17	Wm Kellogg	"	14 & 16	Do	"
18	R Ellis	"	26	Do	"
19	P Maillard	"	34	"	"
20	F Thompson	"	53	Beekman	"
21	Wm McIntire	"	55	Do	"
22	J L Evereett	"	73	Do	"
23	E Seaman	"	83	Do	"
24	J Rodgers	"	170	Wm	"
25	J Chalmers	"	174	"	"
26	A McLeod	"	176	"	"
27	J Tiernay	"	177	"	"
28	A Gees	"	181	"	"
29	Wm H Sparks	"	2	Ferry	"
30	Mrs Wellington	"	4	Do	"
31	Wm Goodwin	"	6	"	"
32	Dr Vanbeuren	"	22	"	"
33	[335] Mrs Carter	Do	24	"	" "
34	Meinnall & Davis	Do	28	"	" "
35	Mrs Dick	Do	30	"	" "

city Inspectors office
4th Feb. 1822

Signed Geo. Cumming. C. I.

The comptroller reported that there had been paid into the Treasury for *communication* [commutation] of Alien passengers for the quarter ending 31 Jan. last $760 which was directed to be filed

The counsel agreably to order presented a memorial to the Legislature and corresponding bill to be entitled an Act authorising the erection of Public markets in front of Public Wharves in the city of New York which was approved and directed to be authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature now in Session at Albany.

He also presented the counterpart of a Lease from the Methodist Church in Eldridge Street. of a piece of ground for an Engine House which was directed to be duly executed.

The Law committee to whom was referred the subject of compensation to Watchmen for attending as witnesses [336] reported as follows.

The Law committee to whom was referred the consideration of the question whether any & if any what alteration ought to be made in the Law for compensating Watchmen who may be compelled to attend the courts of Oyer and Terminer & General Sessions on the part of the People respectfully report.

That they are of opinion that the most useful and just rule upon this subject will be to allow to a Watchman who may be compelled by a Subpœna to attend the said courts or either of them as witnesses on behalf of the people the sum of one dollar per day under the following restrictions

First, that the District attorney certifies that such Watchmen did attend during the time for which he claims a compensation and that he attended upon a Subpœna

Second That the court shall approve of such allowance being made and direct the payment in the minutes of the court

[337] Third, That such allowance shall in no case exceed Ten dollars in any one cause

Provided always that such compensation shall not be allowed unless the court before which such witness may attend shall direct the same.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) R Riker
J Hammond
T Bolton

which was referred to the counsel to report an ordinance agreably thereto Who immediately reported a Law entitled a Law for compensating Watchmen for attending as Witnesses which was passed.

The same committee to whom was referred the communication from the Street Commissioner respecting Brewers and distillers and casting water in the street reported as follows

The Law committee to whom was referred a communication made by the Street commr respecting the 14th Section of the ordinance to prevent Nuisances Report. That as the Section now stands Brewers Distillers & others throw the water from their manufactories into the Streets between the hours of 5 oclock in the afternoon and 8 in the morning [338] and consequently in the winter season it frequently freezes immediately and remains a nuisance in the Street

The evil will be remedied by adding the word "except in the ordinance It will then read That it Shall not be lawful between the

1st day of December and the 1st of April in any year &c to cast or throw water &c except between the hours of 8 in the morning and 5 in the evening

The committee respectfully recommend the above alteration

All which is respectfully submitted

(Signed) R Riker
T. Bolton
J. Hammond

Which was approved and it was referred to the counsel to report an ordinance agreeably thereto.

The same committee on the petition of Amos Wood reported as follows

The Law Committee to whom was referred the petition of Amos Wood praying that he might be furnished [339] with a copy of the written communication made to this board by John B Smith and others against the said Amos Wood as a Butcher

Your Committee beg leave to remind the board that the communication so made by Mr Smith & others against Mr Wood was submitted to the Market committee and they reported in favor of Mr Wood He thereupon brought a suit against Mr Smith & now wishes a copy of the communication for the purpose of enabling him to carry on that prosecution Your committee are of opinion that it is of great and universal interest to the citizens of this city that they should be permitted to apply freely to this board for the redress of any supposed grievance or to prevent any person holding a situation under this board whom they honestly believed to be unworthy This rule of public convenience is also deemed by your committee to be in concert with the principles of Law. In the case of Thom. *vice* [vs] Blanchard 5 Johns. 508 decided by the court of Errors that where an application [340] is made to a court of justice or to any other body of men having competent power to afford redress such application tho' the facts stated therein be found untrue, cannot be a libel—unless it be made with bad and malicious motives

In all such cases your committee are of opinion that the true question is whether the representation made to this board be made in good faith or whether it be made with bad and malicious motives In the latter case only the Committee think that they should give copies of petitions presented to this board In the instance now before them there is no evidence that the communication made by John B Smith

was done from bad or malicious motives They therefore respectfully submit the following resolution Resolved that it is inexpedient to furnish Amos Wood with a copy of the communication made to this board by John B Smith and others.

(Signed) R Riker T Bolton
J. Hammond

[341] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the petition for filling in Peck Slip reported as follows.

The committee on Wharves Piers &c to whom was referred the annexed petition of owners and Lessees of property at Peck Slip and its vicinity praying that Peck Slip might be filled up from the head of it to the South boundary of South Street begs leave most respectfully to report

That your committee have had that subject under consideration and they are of the opinion that it is inexpedient at Present to grant the prayer of the Petitioners therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
J Hammond
Asa Mann
Thomas S Townsend

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[342] The committee on Wharves Piers and Slips on the petition of the Hay cartmen at Gouverneurs Slip and on the petition of Isaac Valentine Weigher of Hay at said Slip reported Viz[t]

The committee on Wharves Piers &c to whom was referred the petition of the Hay cartmen Standing at Gouverneurs Slip and the petition of Isaac Valentine Weigher of Hay at said Slip respectfully report

That in their opinion the evil complained of in the petition of the Hay cartmen would be completely remedied by giving the Hay Boats the exclusive right to occupy Gouverneurs Slip from and after the first day of May next, and for that purpose they have directed their chairman to report a Law which shall take place of the eighth section of the Law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the city of New York

The committee are further of opinion that the petition of [343] Isaac Valentine weigher of Hay at the said Slip should be refused: an opinion to which they are more readily induced from being informed that provided the exclusive priviledge to occupy Gouverneurs Slip from and after the first day of May next, be given to the Hay boats the petitioners only ground of complaint would be removed they have therefore directed their chairman to report a resolution to refuse the prayer of the petitioner so far as respects the reduction of his rent

Be it resolved by the Mayor Aldermen and commonalty of the city of New York in common Council convened That the petition of Isaac Valentine weigher of Hay be and the same is hereby refused accordingly so far as it respects the reduction of his rent

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
J Hammond
Asa Mann
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston.

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the Law proposed by them entitled A Law [344] *a law entitled a law* to amend a law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the city of New York passed 22nd of February 1821 was passed

The Same committee on the petition respecting the bridge in Carlisle Street reported as follows

The Committee on Wharves Piers &c to whom was referred the petition of certain persons residing in Washington Street complaining of the condition of the Bridge which connects the pier at the foot of Carlisle Street with Washington Street report

That that bridge is in a very ruinous state and that the convenience and safety of the inhabitants resorting to that pier requires that it should be repaired that the grantees of the adjoining property are under Stipulations to the corporation to complete Carlisle street to west Street when required by the corporation. That although some [345] of them are willing to bear their portion of the expense of Repairing the said Bridge yet that others refuse under these circumstances your Committee are of opinion that the only mode by which they can be all compelled to do what is necessary to be done in the premises is by requiring them to complete Carlisle between Washington and West Streets in conformity to their grants The Com-

mittee have therefore prepared an ordinance for that purpose which is herewith submitted

Respectfully

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
J Hammond
Asa Mann
Thomas S Townsend
M Gelston

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the ordinance proposed by them was passed.

The committee on the Fire Department on the petition of Fire Engine company N° 28. for an additional number of Men reported as follows

[346] The committee on the Fire department to whom was referred the annexed petition of Fire Engine Company N° 28 Report that they have had the said petition under consideration and find that the number of men allotted to Engines of the size of N° 28 is 26 men and as the said company have but twenty two they are of opinion that they ought to have four additional men and offer the following resolution

Resolved that Engine company N° 28 are hereby authorised to have 4 additional men

Signed J. P. Anthony
M. Gelston.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the petition of J Benjamin reported as follows

The committee on the Fire department to whom was referred the annexed [petition] [347] of J Benjamin Report that they have had the said petition under consideration and find that [by] the Twenty first section of the Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires the Fire Department of the city of New York are to receive the fines for chimnies when collected for the use and benefit of the said Fire Department and that by the Sixth Section of the Law to license and regulate Chimney Sweepers That every person so licensed shall be subject to all the penalties that may be incurred by any chimney taking fire within one Month after having been swept by them respectively or by any boy apprentice or servant in their employ

And that by the seventh section of said law that every person so licensed shall cause the boys apprentices or servants in his employ to wear a badge upon which shall be inscribed the number of his license

and if any such boy apprentice or servant shall at any time be found out of the House or premises [348] of his said employer and not wearing such badge his said master or employer shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars

Your committee are of opinion that existing laws are sufficient and that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) J P Anthony
M. Gelston.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Police committee on the petition of Sarah Stakes reported as follows.

The Police committee to whom was referred the petition of Sarah Stakes praying to be relieved from two penalties incurred by two of her Hack drivers for standing with their carri[a]ges in front of the House next door to the [349] Park Theatre

Respectfully Report

That the petitioner is a widow and to collect both penalties with costs of suit might cause some distress.

The situation of the petitioner is the only claim which can be offered for the indulgence of this Board The committee think that one penalty might be remitted in this instance and they beg leave to offer the following resolution for the consideration of the Corporation

Resolved that the attorney of this Board be, and he is hereby authorised to repay to the petitioner one of the said penalties

(Signed) Thomas Bolton.
Geo. B Thorp
Shivers Parker.
Henry Mead.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Joseph Varey reported as follows

[350] The Police committee to whom the petition of Joseph Varey was referred

Respectfully Report

That the Petitioner states that he has been sued & fined for standing with his carriage on the stand appropriated for carriages

in Chatham Street with his carriage along side of another carriage, and that he did so in consequence of the stand being completely filled.

This case has received due attention from the committee and they are by no means satisfied that the statement of the petitioner is true But on the contrary they believe that the judgement of the Court was just and ought to be enforced

They therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the petitioner ought not to be relieved

(Signed) Thomas Bolton
M. Gelston. G B Thorp
S. Parker Henry Mead

[351] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the petition of Thomas Shaw reported as follows.

The Police committee respectfully Report on the within petition of Thomas Shaw

That the petitioner alledges that he has been fined for violating the ordinance of this corporation in relation to Hackney coaches at the stand before the Theatre and prays relief

There are no circumstances in this case which would authorise the committee to recommend a remission and they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the petitioners prayer ought not to be granted

(Signed) T Bolton
M Gelston
Geo B Thorp
Shivers Parker
Hen. Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[352] The Same Committee on the petition of Benj[a] Watson reported as follows.

The Police committee to whom the petition of Mr Benjamin Watson the register of Dogs was referred Respectfully Report

That M[r] Watson states he has now collected Six hundred and fifty nine Dollars the past year for registering Dogs That his allowance by law is Thirty per cent of this amount which he considers insufficient The duties of his office he states are in many instances extremely disagreeable

He is obliged to institute and to attend some very troublesome suits and he is also at some expence

The above amount does not appear to the committee to be more than a reasonable compensation for the services required by the ordinance under which the p[e]titioner acts

In former years this Board was at some considerable expence in carrying this law into effect besides [353] which much public feeling was excited now it is enforced without any expence on the part of the corporation and with very little public excitement That this ordinance is highly beneficial and might be much more extensively and usefully enforced does not admit of a doubt in the minds of your committee and they have strong reason to hope that the liberality of this board in the present instance will be an additional incentive to the more active exertions on the part of the petitioner the ensuing season they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted

Resolved that a copy of this report be handed to Mr Watson

(Signed) T Bolton
M Gelston
Geo. B Thorp
Shivers Parker
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted

[354] The Market committee to whom had been referred the petition of Smith and Maintain Abiel Brush & other Lessees of Cellars under Fulton Market reported as Follows.

The Market committee to whom was referred Sundry petitions from the Occupants of the Cellars under Fulton market praying permission to remove the outside Cellar doors & mak additional Doors where the windows are now placed report that they have consulted Thomas T Woodruff one of the Masons who erected said market whose opinion is hereunto annexed in consequence thereof and being also of the opinion of your committee that no injury will arise to the building your committee are induced to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the petitioners have leave to make the alterations for which they have applied under the direction of the market committee

Signed H J Wyckoff
Thos S Townsend
Maltby Gelston
Isaac Emmons

[355] The question being taken on agreing to the report and a division being called by Ald. Anthony it passed in the negative the members voting as follows

Negative Ald. Anthony, Bingham Mann Messrs Valentine Crane, Town, Parker, Thorn Cooper Depeyster Mead 11

Affirmative Mr. Recorder Ald. Wyckoff Townsend Gelston Emmons Thorp Hammond Mr Bolton Ireland 9

The committee on Applications on the petition of John Guest reported as follows

The committee on Applications to whom was referred the petition of John Guest praying to be appointed a measurer of Grain for the city of New York. Beg leave to Report,

as their opinion that at present there is a sufficient number of measurers of Grain appointed at present for the city as will barely give a living to the present measurers and would therefore submit the following resolution that at present it is not convenient to comply with the prayer of the petitioners

[356] (Signed) John Bingham
Maltby Gelston
Gerard De Peyster

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Assessments on the petition of Eliphalet Williams reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Eliphalet Williams praying to be relieved from paying a personal Tax assessed on him in the 3d Ward on the ground of his not being a resident of this city

Report.

That they have carefully examined this case and find that the petitioner early in May last removed from this city into the State of Massachusetts where he now resides and it further appearing to the satisfaction of the committee that he had been assessed through mistake they are decidedly of opinion that his request ought to be granted and [357] for that purpose respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved That the Collector of the 3d Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of Eliphalet

Williams and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of the said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony
William Thorn

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of John Phillips reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of John Phillips praying to be relieved from paying the Tax assessed on his personal property in the 4th Ward. Report

That they have had this subject under consideration and are satisfied from the representations of the [358] petitioner and of the aseessors of the Ward that he has no personal property they therefore are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted and respectfully Submit the following resolution

Resolved

That the collector of 4th Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of John Phillips and that he return the same on the list of Errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony
William Thorn

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Mary Ludlow reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Mary Ludlow praying to be relieved from paying the Tax [359] assessed on her personal property in the 3d Ward

Report

That, on examination of this case they find that the time the Assessment was laide that the petitioner was married and that her husband resided in another ward where his personal property was assessed for Taxes that the assessment on the petitioner was made through mistake and in the opinion of your committee ought to be remitted and for that purpose they respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 3d ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of Mary Ludlow and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Signed Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony
William Thorn

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[360] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Account of the Public Administrator (Benjamin Prince) reported as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the Annual report of the Public Administrator respectfully report That they have examined the same and recommend the following resolution Resolved that the same be filed

Respectfully submitted
J. Hammond
H. J Wyckoff
(Signed) F Cooper
B Crane
Chas Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same Committee on the account of Alpheus Sherman late attorney of the corporation reported Vizt

The Finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of Alpheus Sherman for payment of the taxable costs in the several suits therein mentioned respectfully report.

[361] That there is due to him for taxable costs in the several causes mentioned in his memorial as appears by the taxation of his Honor the Recorder the sum of three hundred forty eight dollars Sixteen cents

The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the said sum of 348 dollars and 16 cents be paid to Alpheus Sherman late attorney of this board for his taxed costs in the said suits

(Signed) J Hammond
H J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Benn Crane
Chas Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the petition of Le Grand Jarvis reported as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the annexed account of Legrand Jarvis against James L Bell late sheriff of the city of New York for surveying and making a plan and report of the liberties attached to the debtors Gaol in the city of New York in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred twenty one

[362] Respectfully report that it does not appear from the said application who is the claimant or what is the relief sought for; they therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that there is not any matter presented by the subject for the decision of the Board

Signed J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Chas Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the petition of J. J. Westervelt reported as follows

The same committee on whom was referred the annexed memorial of J. J. Westervelt within mentioned respectfully report.

That there is due to the estate of Peter De baum for paving the sum of Four hundred nineteen dollars five cents and that they believe the facts in the memorial [363] contained are true

The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the said Sum of four hundred nineteen dollars five cents be paid to the legal representatives of the said Peter De baum

Signed J Hammond
Francis Cooper
Benj Crane
Chas Town.
Henry J. Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and a warrant directed to be passed for payment of the same.

The same committee on the petition of Hugh Smith reported as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the within Memorial of Hugh Smith Respectfully

Report that there is due to the memorialist for paving the sum of $235.$^{5}\!/_{100}$. The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the above mentioned sum be paid to the [364] said Hugh Smith

Signed J. Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
B Crane
Chas Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and A Warrant directed to [be] reported accordingly.

The Same Committee to whom had been referred the *the* lease to John Vreeland reported as follows.

The finance committee to whom was referred the within communication of the counsel respecting the Lease of Mr Vreeland respectfully Report that they see no cause to depart from their former report on this subject they therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the former report of the Finance committee on this subject be adhered to

Signed J. Hammond
Chas Town
Henry J Wyckoff
[365] Francis Cooper
Benjamin Crane

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Ald. Emmons, Resolved that the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips take into consideration the expediency of building a New Mud Machine."

On Motion of Ald. Wyckoff Resolved that the Market committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of Placing a Watchman in Fulton Market every day immediately after the closing thereof to remain untill 10 oclock at night.

The report of the Finance Committee presented at the last meeting of the board was called up but the same having been printed and in the possession of the members of the board the reading thereof was dispensed with on account of its length and it was directed to be published for the information of the Community in the Papers employed by the board—It was also resolved that a special meeting of the board be held [366] on Monday evening next at 5 o clock. to take the subjects of said Report into consideration.

The Comptroller laid before the Board the several proposals which

he had received for the Street Manure when on Motion The Lobby was cleared and the doors closed

Upon examining the Proposals it appeared that Peter F Cisco had offered for the lease of the Street Manure of the city for the ensuing two years and three months the sum of Eight thousand Four hundred dollars It was therefore resolved that upon the said Peter F Ciscos' giving such security for the payment of the said sum of $8400 and for the faithful performance of the contract as shall be approved of by the Finance committee that the said Street Manure be leased to him for the period aforesaid

[367] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 21 Jan	178.36
Received for Taxes of 1821. 1. 2. 3 5. 7, 9. 10 wards	17.821.
" Rents	8446.87
" Vendue Sales	2500.
Streets	1357.84
Justices courts	459.01
Excise	672.
Arrears of Taxes	300.
City Prison Fees	258.
Fines of Sheriff	175.06
Wells and Pumps	75.
Board of Health	33.
	$95.32277.11

52 Accounts Audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibberd and Clark 2nd do	645.75
Bleakly and Brower 3d do	435.75
A Burtis Supt Alms House offices 1. Qr Salary 1 inst	537.50
Wm Hoghland Keeper of Penitentiary & 3 Assists	537.50
G Sickles Keeper of City Prison and 2 Deputies	443.42
J Morton Clerk of Common Council 1 Qr 1. inst and Hack Hire paid	282.
Richd L Walker Physician City Prison 1. Qr 1 inst	62.50
J Burger regulating 4 Public Clocks	50.
Richard Smith Clerk of Washington Market one month 1 Inst	42.
[368] Ezra Frost Clerk of Fulton Market Salary to 1 Inst	36.87
Astin and Cochrane messengers 1 mo. 1st inst	54.
Danl. H Magee Keeper of Potters field	38.75
Geo. Mills Assist. Board of Health	47.25
Benjn Hicks Do	47.25
Wm J Waldron Assist. City Inspector	47.25
Obadiah Ayres Do "	47.25
Sam. Hutchings St. Inspector	54.25
Jonn Pinckney Do Do	54.25

Geo. L Birch Printing 1 Qr 1st inst.	257.75
Van Pelt & Spear Printing for Market comee	12.
J. Hammond Justices Courts 1. 2. 3 Wards 1. Qr 1st inst.	400.
E Morrell " 4. 6. " "	400.
M Cunningham 5. 8. " "	400.
H Scovill 7. 10 " "	400.
J. L Pell Clerk 1. 2. 3. " "	187.50
Geo. Betts " 4. 6. " "	187.50
Ebenr Burling " 5. 8 " "	187.50
Wm H Smith " 7. 10 " "	187.50
James Whelply 1. Qr rent Court room 1. 2. 3. "	31.25
Noah Bartlett " " 4. 6. "	25.
O Edwards, Drawing Law and Going to Albany	441.51
M. M. Noah Sheriff to pay officers attending courts 1. Qr 1st inst.	1262.50
S Montgomery and others serving subpoenas	183.62
[369] J Sidell to pay officers attens elections Jan	132.
G Snethen Sup. lighting Lamps 1 mo. 1st inst	716.79
R Provoost repairing Lamps 1 mo. 1st inst	52.25
Danl Biggs Work at Lamps 1. Qr	22.92
Edwd Doughty Surveys and Maps	1171.65
Danl Ewen Do " "	428.72
Isaac F Ludlum " "	52.96
Lang and Turner Advertising &c	80.
Peter Parks Insps paving Streets	123.92
Thomas Lovett Regs and pavs Division St	200.
Thomas Lovett " " " Green from Grand to Sps	100.
Thomas Lovett " " " paving Grand	350.
John Bailey Acct. regs a[nd] Paving Goerck St	250.
J. Gallagher bal. for Well. in Pitt St	53.71
J P Roome Supt Repairs for repairing Pier north Side of Albany basin north River	385.
J. P. Roome Sup Repairs for Repairs	250.
J Fleming City Treasurer to pay dividend on City Stock 1. Qr 1st inst.	18500.
	$31.954.08
Balance	$323.03

Board adjourned.

[370] Special Meeting In Common Council Feb 11th 1822.

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Thomas S Townsend	Thomas Bolton
Maltby Gelston	Abraham Valentine
John P Anthony	Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann	Ben. Crane
Isaac Emmons	Chas Town
	Shivers Parker
	Wm Thorn
	Francis Cooper

The board met agreably to adjournment

His Honor the Mayor stated that the intention of the adjournment to this day was to take into consideration the report of the Finance committee made to the board on the 21st ultimo

It being observed that Ald. Hammond the chairman was absent [371] at Albany it was on motion ordered that the consideration of the report be postponed

A letter from Hugh Maxwell District attorney requesting that the consideration of that part of the report of the Finance committee in relation to the fees of the District atty might be postponed that he might have an opportunity of explaining the same to Some committee was read and it was referred to the committee on Finance and their report was also referred back to them with the said letter.

The Mayor stated that it was necessary that application should be made to the Legislature for a law relative to raising a tax for the current year Whereupon a Memorial and corresponding bill to be enacted into a law Entitled "A act to authorise the Mayor Aldermen and commonalty of the city of New York to raise money by Tax was presented and approved and the memorial was directed to be duly authenticated and transmitted [372] to the Legislature. The memorial was as follows.

To the Honourable the Legislature of the State of New York in Senate and Assembly convened

The Memorial of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened

Respectfully Sheweth

That for the purpose of enabling your memorialists to support the poor of Said city to support and maintain criminal persons to keep in repair public buildings to regulate and improve the public roads to defray other contingent expenses properly chargeable to the City and

County of New York and to defray the expenses which your Memorialists may be put to in executing the powers vested in them by the Act entitled "An Act to reduce several Laws relating particularly to the city of New York into one Act it will be necessary to raise by tax on [373] the real and personal estates of the freeholders and inhabitants of the said City and County the sum of one hundred and forty thousand dollars and also Such further sum as may be necessary for the support of Common Schools for supplying the deficiencies of the taxes of the last year and to paying the expenses of assessing and collecting the Said Taxes.

Your memorialists also further Shew that for the purpose of enabling them to meet the expense of lighting and watching the said City to repair the wells and pumps and for defraying other contingent expenses arising within and properly chargeable to that part of the said city usually denominated the lamp and watch districts it is necessary to raise by tax on the same the Sum of one hundred and ten thousand dollars in addition to what may be necessary for Supplying the deficiencies of the Taxes of the last year upon the same and for defraying the expenses of Assessing and collecting the said Taxes

Your memorialists therefore pray [374] your Honourable body to pass a law authorising them to impose the taxes above mentioned

A memorial from James J Roosevelt & others proprietors of Lots in Maiden Lane praying that the same may be widened on the North East side from William Street to Pearl st. And a memorial from John Clark and other proprietors of lots in and near the foot of Maiden Lane recommending the widening of Maiden Lane but objecting to the cutting down of the East side from Pearl St. to W^m^ Street and recommending instead thereof to cut down from Gold to Pearl St. to make the Street 48 feet wide & to remove the triangular block in Maiden Lane were severally referred to the Street Comm^ee^

A Petition of David Covert to be appointed Superintendant of Mud Machine was referred to the Comm^ee^ on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[375] A certificate from one of the Assessors of the 10^th^ ward that David Raynor had been improperly assessed as living in that ward he being a resident of the 7^th^ ward was referred to the committee on Assessments.

A Petition from Philetas Havens to be relieved from an undue Assessment of Personal Tax was referred to the same Committee

A Petition of Saul Ally and others praying that an alteration may

be made in the Law relative to the landing of Cotton was referred to the Board of Health

A petition of Henry W. Warner owner of a lot of ground on the Southerly corner of Pine & Nassau Street was received Stating that he is about to erect a House on said Lot and as in his opinion the present line of Nassau St is incorrect he suggested an alteration of the same, which was referred to the Street Committeee.

[376] A petition of Wm S Ross to lease a lot in Anthony Street at the intersection of little Water St was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A petition of Saml. Norsworthy was received stating that being the mortgagee of House No 51. Rose Street he was compelled to become a purchaser of the same—That the same has for some time and now is used as a place of Public Religious Worship and therefore exempt from Tax. That a tax has lately been Assessed on the same from which he prays an exemption which was referred to the Commee on Assessments.

The Mayor stated that Peter F Cisco had not complied with the conditions of the contract for the Street manure by giving the requisite securities

Whereupon it was resolved that the Comptroller advertise for proposals for the same to be laid before the Board at their next meeting

[377] A Letter was afterwards received from Peter F Cisco declining the contract as the persons whom he had offered as his sureties declined being so

Resolved on motion of Alderman Mann that the counsel be instructed to report a memorial to the Legislature and a corresponding bill providing for the collection of Penalties heretofore collected by the Excise Commissioner as that office by a proposed law is to be abolished.

Board adjourned

[378] In Common Council Feb. 18th 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abraham Valentine
Maltby Gelston	Wm H Ireland
Robert McQueen	Benjn Crane
Isaac Emmons	Chas Town
George B Thorp	Shivers Parker
Judah Hammond	Wm Thorn
	Henry Mead

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Special meeting were read and approved

A Memorial from Freeholders and Lessees on subject of the proposed improvement of Maiden Lane by widening the Same from Pearl Street to Gold St, on the N. East side [379] and by taking away the Triangular block of buildings stating their approbation of said improvement and suggesting a further improvement by extending the same to Broadway by widening Liberty Street on the North E. side from the House of Mr wolf at the corner of Gold Street to No 37 Liberty & on the South west side of Liberty St from No 30 Liberty st and from thence to Broadway. Also recommending that the present Street called Fly Market and that part of Maiden Lane from Pearl to William Street and also the end of Liberty St. intersecting Maiden Lane as far up as Broadway be called Exchange St.

The same having been read was referred to the Street Committee.

A letter was received from Jonas Humbert enclosing A Memorial to the Legislature of the State from Bakers Dealers and Consumers of Flour in this City requesting that the Law respecting the inspection of Flour might be so amended as that all Flour offered for sale in casks might unde[r]go an [380] inspection with a request that the Common Council would Sanction the application Mr Crane offered a resolution in concurrence with this request Ald. Hammond presented a resolution referring to the Committee on Public offices with power to collect facts and affidavits of the truth of the injurious practices alledged in the memorial which Resolution was adopted.

A petition of R F Mott Lessee of Room over Engine House in Rose St requesting the lease of the same for the ensuing year was referred to the Finance committee

A Petition of Henry Packard praying relief from an undue assessment of Personal Tax was referred to the committee on Assessments.

A petition of Miss Betts Lessee of Room over Engine House in Beaver Street to rent the same the ensuing year was referred to the Finance committee.

[381] A petition of George Huyler Lessee of Room over the Washington market that the same may be leased to him at the same rent he now holds for the term of Three years was referred to the Finance committee

A petition of George Fullmor Lessee of House N° 265 W^m St. offering to pay $150 per annum and the taxes for a lease of the same for Five years was referred to the Finance com^ee

A petition of John Declew Lessee of the Flag Staff at the Battery requesting the same may be leased to him for the ensuing [year] at the rent he now holds it at was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition from the inhabitants of Forsythe St. that the Houses in the Street may be numbered was referred to the Street committee

A petition of Groshon Mills that he might be reinstated as a Watchman was referred to the Watch committee

[382] A petition of William Williams for relief from a personal tax assessed on him he owning no personal property in this City & having paid taxes in Dutchess county in 1821 was referred to the committee on Assessments

A Petition of Cha^s Miller Jun^r for permission to construct a vault in the street at his House corner of Ann & William Street of larger dimensions than those allowed by the ordinance of the corporation was read and referred to the Ald. & Assist. of the Ward and the Street Comm^r to report

A Petition of John Palmer Butcher for permission to erect a Stall and sell meat at the corner of Stuyvesant St and 3^d Avenue was referred to the Market committee with powers &c

[383] A Petition from Isaac Fairchild Lessee of room over the Fulton market requesting that as said room has no fire place that the corporation would direct a cooking stove to be furnished to the room was referred to the market committee with powers

A Petition of Isaac Requa for relief from a tax assessed on his lot in Hudson Street which was through mistake carried out in the books $2100 instead of $1200 was referred to—the committee on Assessments

A Petition of James Clinch for relief from an undue assessment

of a personal tax on him was referred to the committee on Assessments.

A memorial was received from the officers of the First Brigade of New York State Artillery stating that last year the Arsenal Yard of the city was filled up by the Commissary Genl of the State at considerable [384] expense for military purposes that the same has been used by the corps as a place for the drill of the officers and men and is essential to them for those purposes that they are informed directions have lately been given by the Corporation to carry White Street through those grounds which will render it unfit for military purposes and the Corps will be put to great inconvenience as there is no other public place of Rendevous in the city they therefore pray that the opening of White St through those grounds may be postponed

A memorial was also presented from sundry inhabitants stating that in their opinion the opening of White St through the Arsenal yard is not called for for public convenience and requesting that the same may be delayed was read and referred to the Street committee

A petition of Pierson Halstead for appointment of Inspector of firewood was referred to the Committeee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[385] A petition from Leonard Baker for relief from a fine incurred by using a Hackney Carriage without having a license for the same was referred to the Police comm^{ee}

A Petition of John M Mounsey & Bethell & Taylor Brewers was received stating that a complaint had beeen made to the atty of the Board against them for not cleansing a passage for the water thrown from their Breweries that the obstructions in the gutters arose from freezing of the rain which had fallen and from the water coming from the adjacent streets and not from the Breweries of the Petitioners and therefore praying that the Attorney may be directed to stay proceedings against them which being read was referred to the Police committee

A Petition of Henry W Thorn was received stating that he was appointed a measurer in 1813 that having had the misfortune to lose his leg and being absent from the city—he had not been able to comply with the directions [386] of the board to report himself as holding an office under the corporation and he begged to be continued in his Commission as a measurer which was referred to the Com^{ee} on Public offices

A Petition of Tho^{s} Genders and others Lessees of Cellars under Fulton market stating that they are desirous of placing awnings over the doors & to fix hooks in the Stone Pillars to fasten them & re-

questing permission to make the same in manner above mentioned was referred to the market Committee

A petition of Thomas Hays for relief from a Tax improperly assessed on him for four Lots of ground where as only three are owned by him was referred to the committee on Assessments

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board a letter he had received from John J Morgan [387] Esq^{r} representative from this city in the congress of the U States dated 13 Feb. 1822 stating that the Law reconveying the ground to the Corporation at the Battery occupied by Fort Clinton had passed the House of Representatives & had gone to the Senate was read and referred to the committee on the Battery.

A letter was received from the Rev^{d} John Stanford covering a statement of the duties performed by him at Bellevue & other Establishments under the care of the corporation as also an account of observations in visits which he had made to the Alms House & Prisons in New Jersey & Philadelphia in May last which was read and referred to the com^{ee} on Public offices & was also directed to be printed for the use of the members

His Honor the Mayor made a communication of considerable length the result of a visit with several members of the Board and the comm^{rs} of the Alms House for the purpose of consulting on the practicability [388] of employing the convicts & others confined at that Establishment with advantage to the public and the improvement of those employed concluding with a recommendation that the sum of $3750. be employed for the purposes stated in the communication which recommendation was approved & the communication directed to be printed for the use of the members.

The following Persons were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies. To 1

Hose Company N^{o} 1.

Richard C Barker Clerk 76 mott. St. vice John Taylor Resigned

Hook & Ladder N^{o} 1.

Jesse M^{c}Laughlin Cooper Fletcher St, vice James King Resigned
Ralph James Sadler 2. Depeyster St. vice Albin Bulford Resigned

Fire Engine N^{o} 21.

John L. Earle. Sailmaker W^{m} St. vice John A Holly Resigned
[389] Peter Wright Mechanic Broad St vice James Robinson Resigned

Senate-Chamber

March 20 1822

Dr Sir

The Bill passed by the House of Representatives, to relinquish to the Corporation of New York the Land at the Battery has this morning also passed the Senate –

The Bill authorises the Sec. of the U.S. to dismantle the works, and to cause the materials to be disposed of as he may deem expedient for the public Interest –

I am Dr Sir

respectfully

Yr Obt Servt

Rufus King

Stephen Allen Esqr Mayor

For the purpose of "constructing and erecting Fortifications for the defence of the Port and Harbour of New York" the Corporation granted to the United States in November, 1807, the Fort at the Battery (later designated as Castle Clinton) including a small portion of the Park (see vol. IX, p. 308). After the Department of War had declared, Oct. 16, 1820, Castle Clinton to be no longer required as a fortification (see vol. XI, p. 353), the Corporation in connection with the improvements to Battery Park sought from Congress a reconveyance to the City of the Fort and grounds above mentioned (see vol. XII, p. 113). Mayor Allen reported to the Common Council, Feb. 18, 1822, that the Act for this purpose "had passed the House of Representatives and had gone to the Senate" (see vol. XII, p. 230). About a month later Rufus King, U. S. Senator from New York, informed Mayor Allen of its passage in the Senate in the communication here reproduced for the first time. —Ed.

N° 22.

Peter M^cNamara Ship wright 25 Norfolk vice Cha^s Devereaux Resigned

N° 26

George Greig Brass Founder 180 Bancker St., vice Henry Martin Resigned

Samuel Price House Carpenter N° 45 Forsyth vice Samuel Germond Resigned.

N° 29.

Hamilton Radcliff Weaver Perry St vice Peter Parsells Resigned

N° 34.

John Hough Cartman Christopher St vice James Powles resigned

Jacob Shute mason Jones St vice John Embler. removed to the count[r]y

Abraham Phillips mason Burrows vice James W Lynch left city

Danl Christie Blacksmith Raisin St vice Nathan Holden Resigned

[390] N° 39

Charles U Theriott Accountant N° 10 Murray St vice Frederick A Guion Resig^d

N° 41.

Drake B Palmer Grocer 13 Suffolk St vice Matthias Schnip Res^d

The Comptroller presented a list of Corporation property which was to be disposed of for the ensuing year which was referred to the finance committee

He also presented the following report on the account of the Atty of the corporation which was directed to be filed. Viz^t

The Comptroller respectfully reports that he has examined the accounts of the attorney of the Board for the month ending the 1^st Inst.

The balance due the Corporation $30.30 being deducted from the balance due to the Attorney for 4 months [391] to the 1^st of January last which was $119.07. and reported to the Board on the 7^th Ultimo and examined and found to be correct by the Committee on Public Offices leaves the sum of $88.77. in favour of the Atty. on the 1^st which is reported for a warrant this day.

Respectfully submitted

Signed G. N. Bleecker,
Comp^r

The Counsel on the memorial of W^m^ Henderson & W^m^ Denning Executors of W^m^ Denning Deceased presented the following report which was directed to be filed

The Counsel of the board to whom was *was* referred the memorial of William Henderson and William Denning Executors of the last will and testament of William Denning deceased praying compensation for a certain piece of Ground Seventy nine feet Six inches in length and twenty seven feet in breadth between Murray and Warren Street, on the West side of Washington Street which they alledge was taken possession of [392] by the Street Commissioner in the Year 1821 under an order or pretended order of the Corporation without the permission of the said Denning or in pursuance of any legal proceedings for the purpose of widening Washington Street Reports,

That the Street commissioner did take possession of the said premises at the time and for the purposes stated in said memorial. But that the Counsel has not been able to ascertain either from the minutes of the Common Council or otherwise that such possession was taken either in pursuance of legal proceedings or of any agreement with Mr Denning. On the contrary it appears from the minutes of the Common Council that in the Year 1812 John McKesson as agent for Governor Clinton (who owned the residue of the block from which the above mentioned piece of ground was taken) complained to the Common Council that a [393] portion of Governor Clintons ground was taken for the purpose of widening Washington Street without any legal authority for so doing. That his communication was referred to the Street Comm^r^ who simply reported that he presumed the business could be amicably adjusted with Governor Clinton

An Arrangement however was made, many years since between the Corporation and most of the proprietors of land, fronting on the west side of Washington Steet for widening Washington St & for closing a Street called Second Street. between Washington & West Streets by which the proprietors of Property fronting on Washington St were permitted to take possession of Second St. as an equivalent for widening Washington St.

The counsel has not been able to ascertain that Mr Denning was a party to this arrangement on the contrary it appears that so much of Second St. as lay in the rear of his ground was subsequently granted to Governor Clinton and without any Stipulation for widening Washington Street. The order of the Board relative to the premises. [394] was probably made under an impression that he was a party to that arrangement But under all the Circumstances of the case the counsel

is of opinion that it is inexpedient for the Board to take any order at present upon the subject The right of action for the trespass (if any was committed) has been long since barred and Mr Dennings acquiescence in the proceeding precludes any equitable claim on that account And as to the claim for the ground if the statement of the Petitioner is correct that they have never been legally divested of it it of course still belongs to them and a relinquishment of it by the Corporation cannot add to their title and as it is a subject which is principally interesting to the proprietors of property fronting on Washington St. they ought to be left at liberty to Substantiate their claim to it for a Street provided it is in their power so to do.

(Signed) O. Edwards

[395] He also agreably to direction presented the draft of a Law entitled a law to prevent Nuisances and to provide for the security of the public Health which was passed.

The City Inspector presented ordinances for the correction of the following Nuisances which were passed.

No	1	E Snow	Occupant.	53	Rutgers	St.	A Privy
	2	Mrs Wilson	Do	57	Church	St	Do
	3	A Boyer	Do	59	Do	"	"
	4	E Bishop	Do	19	Essex	"	"
	5	H Degray	Do	21	Do	"	"
	6	*P Mowan* [T Mould]	Do	57	Harman	"	"
	7	W Trenchard	Do	118	Do	"	"
	8	W Burk	Do	122	Do	"	"
	9	R Wittingham	Do	126	"	"	"
	10	E McBride	Do	130	"	"	"
	11	J B Minthorn	Do	141	"	"	"
	12	P. R Sprainger	Do	45	Murray	"	"
	13	Phebe Ross	Do	15	Dey St	"	"
	14	Wm Macbeth	Do	4½	Market	"	"
	15	S Raymond	Do	2	Pike St	"	"
	16	James Dobbin	Do	5	Division	St	"
	17	R Seaman	Do	7	Do	"	"
	18	B Mullen	Do	9.	"	"	"
	19	Mrs *Andrewhand* [Hanrahan]	"	17	"	"	"
	20	Mrs Fowler		19	"	"	"
	21	[396] A Vermilye	"	23	"	"	"
	22	S Robinson	Do	31	Do	"	"
	23	M Seely	"	55	"		"
	24	J McCarty	"	57	"		"
	25	J Godfrey	"	59	"		"
	26	Mrs Parker	"	71	"		"
	27	Turnbill & Co.	"	73	"		"

28	Mrs Dunnegha	Occupant.	85	Division	St	A Privy
29	G Van Pelt	"	141	"		"
30	S Lyon	"	149	"		"
31	J Stillwell	"	151	"		"
32	E Parsells	"	159	"		"
33	M Watts	"	163	"		"
34	J Woodruff	"	167	"		"
35	T Cornell	"	179	"		"
36	D. Bendernagel	"	181	"		"
37	D. Medlar	"	189	"		"
38	C. C. Carpenter	"	196	"		"
39	J Anderton	"	8	Peck	Slip	"
40	I Brown	"	10	"		"
41	M Johnson	"	66	Cliff		"
42	J Hardenbrook	"	293	Pearl		"
43	Mrs Cauldwell	"	294	"		"
44	J Bell	"	295	"		"
45	J Harper	"	297	"		"
46	Wm M. Hawley	"	302	"		"
47	A *Bervan* [Kevan]	"	310	"		"
48	Titus and Co	"	312	"		"
49	[397] J Garside	"	46	Ferry	St	"
50	A Spencer	Do	225	Water	St	"
51	E English	Do	227	"	"	"
52	M Ryder	Do	235	"	"	"
53	M Toohey	Do	235½	"	"	"
54	B *Masey* [Macy]	Do	236	"	"	"
55	J Gardner	Do	243	"	"	"
56	J Whittey	Do	244	"	"	"
57	J Gould	Do	245	"	"	"
58	Wm Powers	Do	247	"	"	"
59	Wm Donevan	Do	249	"	"	"
60	H Rogers	Do	147	Division	"	"

(Signed) Geo Cumming
City Inspector

The Market committee on the petition of the Deputy clerks of Markets for encrease of Pay reported as follows

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of Richard Smith John Bremner and Peter Amerman clerks of Markets praying an increase of their Salaries. Report

That having had the subject [398] before them and after due consideration thereof your committee cannott perceive a necessity of complying with the prayer of the petitioners they therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

(Signed) H. J Wyckoff
Thom[s] S. Townsend
Isaac. Emmons
M. Gelston
Cha[s] Town.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Isaac Asten Sweeper of Fulton market reported as follows.

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Asten Sweeper of Fulton market. Report

That the pay allowed the said Asten by the Corporation as sweeper of the Fly market was Four dollars per week but that he received in addition to this [399] one cent per day from each Butcher and Huxter who occupied said market That he states in his said petition that on his removal to the Fulton Market he found his labour considerably increased while his emoluments owing to the Butchers refusing to pay him the one cent per day as usual was considerably reduced; and he therefore prays that some reasonable compensation may be allowed him for his said services

The committee have had the subject under consideration and are satisfied that the statement of the said Asten is correct and that relief ought to be afforded him accordingly and they therefore propose that as Sweeper of the Fulton Market the said Asten be allowed 75 cents per day for his own attendance Fifteen dollars per month for the payment of assistant Sweepers and nine $^{87}/_{100}$ dollars per annum to defray the expense of Shovels Hoes and Brooms making a sum total of \$463 $^{12}/_{100}$ per annum the said payments to take effect from the 22[nd] of January last

The Committee have also had under consideration several [400] complaints against disorderly boys and others who make it a constant practice to assemble in the Fulton market on the Sabbath day and on other days after the closing of the market and who then conduct themselves in a riotous and improper manner to the great annoyance of the Neighbourhood and injury to the building and fixtures in and about the premises in consideration of the aforesaid complaints together with an opinion entertained for some time by your committee that measures ought to be adopted to prevent vagrants and others from resorting to the said market they have deemed it expedient to recommend that a suitable person be appointed as watch man to be invested with the same authority as the other Watchman of the City whose

duty it shall be to attend on every day of the week from the closing of the said market untill 10 oclock P. M. for the purpose of taking up and bringing before the Police or other Magistrates every Vagrant [401] or any riotous or disorderly person or persons that may be found harbouring in and about the said Market or who may be disturbing the peace of the City in order that they may be dealt with according to Law in such cases provided

And they further recommend that the aforesaid Isaac Asten be appointed to the said office and that he receive as a compensation for his services as Watchman to the Fulton Market Fifty cents per day.

The committee beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the counsel be instructed to prepare an ordinance in conformity with this report

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Thomas S Townsend
Maltby Gelston
Isaac Emmons
Chas Town

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted and the counsel directed to report an ordinance agreably thereto

[402] The Market committee on the petition of Mead Darrow reported as follows

The annexed petition of Mead Darrow Butcher praying permission to sell Butchers meat at Old Slip having been referred to the Market committee who having considered the same are of opinion that the priviledge ought not to be granted and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) Henry J. Wyckoff
Thomas S Townsend
Isaac Emmons
M. Gelston.
Chas Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the petitions of John Ludlum for a license as a butcher and of Adam Fisher for Stall N° 38 Catharine market reported as follows

The Market committee to whom was referred the petitions of John Ludlum and Adam Fisher [403] praying to be licensed as Butchers

Report the following resolution Resolved that his honor the Mayor be requested to license John Ludlum and Adam Fisher as Butchers

(Signed) H. J Wyckoff
Thomas S Townsend
Isaac Emmons
M Gelston
Chas Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the petition respecting a Public Basin between Murray and Warren Streets reported as follows

The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of a great number of owners and occupants of property in the vicinity of Warren Murray and West Streets praying that a public basin or Pier may be built between *between* Warren and Murray St. and also a petition of a number of Masters and Owners of Vessels navigating the North river praying for the same thing beg leave most respectfully to report

That your Committee has had that [404] *that* subject under their particular consideration and are of the same opinion with the petitioners that it would much improve that neighbourhood by building piers and forming public basins. but your committee beg leave to mention that they still have to bear in mind the violent Storm last fall which did much damage to the public Wharves and Slips and cost this Board a large sum of money to repair the same and also taking into consideration the great Debt which this corporation owes Your Committee believes it to be inexpedient at present to grant the prayer of the Petitioners from the above causes therefore beg leave to offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient at present to grant the prayer of the Petitionners

Signed J. Emmons
M. Gelston
Thomas S Townsend

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[405] The Same Committee on the petition for running out a pier at the James Slip reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the petition of David Stebbins and a great many others praying that a

pier may be run out at the centre of the basin between James Slip and Roosevelt Street Stating that as it now is, it is of very little use especially in the winter Season as the Width is so great and open to the East River when Ice is running it is dangerous for vessels to remain in the Basin begs leave most Respectfully to Report that,

Your Committee have had the subject under their particular consideration. and they see the propriety of the application but from the great repairs which was done last fall to the Pub. Wharves. and other large expenses that has taken place Your committee are of the opinion that it is inexpedient at present to grant the prayer of the Petitioners and therefor beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved [406] that it is inexpedient at present to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Signed Isaac Emmons
M. Gelston
Thomas S Townsend

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same Committee on the complaint against Holly Waterbury Inspr of the Mud Machine reported as follows

The committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the memorial of Captains of Vessels praying for the removal of Holly Waterbury from the Command of the Mud Machine respectfully report that they have considered the subject and are of opinion that public good would be promoted by a change in that department they therefore recommend that the following resolution be adopted

Resolved that Thomas Barnum be appointed to command the Mud Machine in the place and Stead of Holly Waterbury.

[407] (Signed) Isaac Emmons
J Hammond
M. Gelston
Thomas S Townsend

Which was approved the resolution adopted and Thomas Barnum appointed in his place.

The Same Committee on the subject of Building A New Mud Machine reported as follows

The committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the resolution of this Board to take into consideration the expediency of building a new mud Machine begs leave most respectfully to report.

That Your committee have had the subject under their particular

consideration and they are of opinion that another Machine is wanting to clear out the great number of Slips that we *have* therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that a new Mud Machine be built for clearing out the Slips and that the same be done under the [408] inspection of the Committee of Wharves Piers & Slips

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
M. Gelston
Thomas S Townsend

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Finance committee on the petition for transferring lease of Cellar N° 16 under Fulton Market by Isaac Fairchild to Sawyer and Babcock reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Joshua Sawyer and George P Babcock praying that the Lease of Cellar N° 16. under Fulton market originally granted to Isaac Fairchild might be transferred to them

Respectfully report that they can see no objections to the transfer and therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that Isaac Fairchild be permitted to assign [409] his Lease of Cellar N° 16 under Fulton Market to Joshua Sawyer and George P Babcock and that the same be noted by the Comptroller.

Respectfully submitted

B. Crane
Signed J. Hammond
Henry J. Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Assessm[t] Committee on the petition of Mary Watts reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Mary Watts praying to be relieved in part from paying the Tax assessed on her personal property in the 1[st] Ward Report.

That on an examination of this case they are satisfied in consequence of the declaration of the Assessors that the personal property of the petitioner was valued too high and are of opinion that her request ought to be granted The following resolution is respectfully Submitted

Resolved that [410] the Collector of the 1[st] Ward be instructed to receive from M[rs] Mary Watts personal Tax on $3000 in lieu of $12000

and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of Said Ward.

(Signed) Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the petition of Saml. Norsworthy reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Norsworthy praying to be relieved from paying the Tax assessed on his house and lot No 51 Rose Street on the ground that it is hired by a religious society and used by them only as a place of religious worship and that as such it is (by the 28th Section of the act entitled an Act for the Assessment and Collection of Taxes passed 5th of April 1813) not liable to be taxed [411] and that it never was taxed during the time it was owned by Mr Broad Report,

That they have examined this subject and find that the House and lot above mentioned is the private property of the petitioner and that he has hired the same to a society who have given him Security for the rent Your Committee have examined the law mentioned by the Petitioner and do not find that it exempts his property from taxation It exempts places of public Worship belonging to a Society or to a minister of the Gospel and as such it was not assessed during the time it was owned by Mr Broad Under all the circumstances of the case the Committee are of opinion that the petition ought not to be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Signed Charles Town
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[412] The Same committee on the petition of Nathaniel G Minturn reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel G. Minturn praying to be relieved in part from paying the Tax assessed on his personal property in the 4th Ward

Report

That on examination of this case they are satisfied from the representations of the assessors that the personal property of the petitioner has been overrated and fully concur with them that it ought to have

been valued at $3000 instead of $10000 as assessed They therefore are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted and respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved the collector of the 4th Ward be instructed to collect from Nathaniel G Minturn personal Tax on $3000 instead of $10.000. and that he return the balance in the list of [413] errors and insolvencies of said Ward

. (Signed) Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
W. Thorn.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Safety Magee reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Safety Magee praying the correction of an error made in an Assessment on his House & Lot No 56 William

Report that on an examination of this case it appears from a certificate of the assessors of the 1st Ward that they have by mistake over rated said property and that it should have been valued at $800 instead of $8000 as assessed The Committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted and for that purpose respectfully recommend the following Resolution Resolved that the collector of the 1st Ward be instructed to collect from Safety Magee the tax on $800 instead of $8000 and that he return the same on the list of Errors and Insolvencies of said Ward

Signed Chas Town
T Bolton
W Thorn

[414] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same Committee on the petition of Isaac L Burr reported Vizt

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Isaac L Burr praying to be relieved from paying the tax assessed on his property in the 8th Ward Report that on investigating this Case it appears that the petitioners personal property was valued by the Assessors at $800 that they had no knowledge of his being an Artillerist or they would have deducted from that amount $500 on which sum he is exempt by Law from paying tax

The petitioners having Satisfied the Committee that he is a soldier in the 3d Regiment of N. Y. State Artillery they are of opinion that his request ought in part to be granted and respectfully offer the fol-

lowing resolution Resolved that the Collector of the 8th Ward be instructed to receive from Isaac L Burr Personal Tax on $300 and that he return the balance in the list of Errors and Insolvencies of said Ward

[415] (Signed) Charles Town
Thomas Bolton
Wm Thorn.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of James Bogart reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of James Bogart Junr in which he states that he has been assessed for personal Tax in the 3d & 9th wards that having paid the tax in the 9th he prays to be relieved from paying that assessed on him in the 3d Ward—Report. that they have had this subject under consideration and are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner is just and reasonable and ought to be granted and respectfully submit the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 3d Ward be instructed to decline Collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of James Bogert Junr and that he return the same in the list of Errors and Insolvencies of said Ward.

(Signed) Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[416] George B Smith collector of Arrearages of Taxes presented a report of Delinquents on Taxes on Real Estate in the City of New York for the year 1820 with a view to advertising the same according to Law & closing the accounts which had been placed in his hands for collection Whereupon the same was referred to the committee on Finance

The Recorder presented the following resolution

Resolved that a committee be appointed on behalf of this Board to commemorate in a suitable manner the adoption of the new constitution of the State of New York by the free suffrages of the People which was adopted and the following were appointed the Committee

The Recorder Mr Mead and Mr Thorn

Ald Emmons presented a resolution to apply to the Legislature for a Law to assess in the Lists of Personal Estate in the city the

Capital Stock of all banks and insurance companies which was referred to the Finance Commee

[417] He also presented a resolution referring to the finance committee to enquire into the expediency of fixing a rent on some of the Public offices in the city Hall from and after the 1st Day of May next which was referred to the same Committee

A Resolution was also presented on the subject of applying to the Legislature for a Law to extend the Fire Limits from the intersection of Harman and Catharine Streets up Harman to Grand St. & from the intersection of Harman & Clinton down Clinton to Cherry St. including the Lots between said Streets Provided that Lessees of a term not more than 20 years shall have the priviledges they now enjoy which was referred to the committee on Applications to the Legislature

A Resolution was also presented directing the St commr to advertise for estimating for regulating Henry St. from Gouverneurs Street Eastward & Westward without any charge for regulating said Street which was referred to the Street commee

The Comptroller presented to the Board the sealed proposals which he had received for [418] renting the St. Manure whereupon the Lobby was cleared and the

Doors closed.

Upon examining the Proposals it appeared that Barent Mesaroles and Michael D Higgins had offered for the priviledge of the Manure of all the Streets & Slips of the city for Two years and three months the sum of Eight thousand two hundred and fifty one dollars and they offered as their security Abner Higgins Whereupon it was resolved that upon the said Barent Mesaroles and Michael D Higgins giving such Security for the payment of the said sum and for the faithful performance of the covenants of the contracts as shall be approved of by this Finance committee that the Street manure of the city be leased to them for the term of Two years and Three months and that the Counsel prepare the necessary papers

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[427] The Comptrollers reported

Balance in the Treasury 4th inst	$323.03
Received for Tax of 1821 3d 4th 6 8 10 wards	12.300.
" " Rents	6079.64
Justices courts	228.93
Wells & Pumps	97.70
Mayoralty fees	79.75
	$19.109.05

36 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d "	435.75
Jacob P Roome Supt of repairs for Watch Caps	271.43
G. N. Bleecker Comptr 1. Qr Salary 15 inst	437.50
J. P Roome Supt Repairs 1 Qr Salary 14 inst	250.
John Fleming Treasr 1 Qr Salary 19 Jan	100.
John Bremner Clk Cath market 1 mo 1st Jan	36.75
James Bleecker auctioneers fees on 5 cellars and 4 stands in Fulton Market	13.50
H Tallman coroner Fees. 1 Qr 1st Jany	388.30
N Phillips 6 mo. subcripn National Advocate	50.
Sam Titus 1 Qr rent court room 7. 10 wards	31.25
Legal representatives of Peter Debaum Decd balance due for regulating McDougal St	419.05
Thomas & Geo. Lovett acct regs Harman St	400.
John Bailey Acct regs and pavs Goerck St	300.
Hugh Smith bal. pavs Albany St	235.53
Thomas Lovett bal. regs and paving Provoost St	160.72
[428] H Smith acct paving Lispenard St	150.
J. Wallace acct Sewer in Oak St	120.
J Rice & A Wallace acct. regs and repavs Howard	100.
C Mooney acct. pavs side walks Arundel St	90.
G Tucker building a culvert Canal St Sewer	48.75
C. Mooney pavs sundry intersections	23.17
P Woodruff bal. for carpenters Work Fulton Market	3500.
P Woodruff acct Extra Work Do	286.17
Tucker & Woodruff bal. Masons work Do	1862.
Tucker & Woodruff amt of Extra masons work do	572.48
R Ayres filling at Pier. South St oppe Fulton Mt	7.19
Geo. Cumming to pay filling 8 Lots at North St (Lien)	368.
Ab R Lawrence amount refunded on Lot on Seaman st sold for Taxes with interest	58.90
A Sherman late Attorney Costs. in sundry suits	484.41
M Ulshoeffer Atty bal. due 1st Inst	88.77
J Mapes Treasurer Deaf and Dumb institution annual Donation	400.
Jacob P Roome supt Repairs for Repairs	620.
J P Roome do for Bell Fulton market	77.
Arthur Burtis Supert Alms House	5000.
	$19.035.12
Balance	$73.93

Board adjourned.

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

FEBRUARY 21, 1822 TO JUNE 10, 1822

[1] Special Meeting In Common Council February 21st 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President,

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Abraham Valentine
Thomas S Townsend	Wm H Ireland
Maltby Gelston	Benjamin Crane
John Bingham	Charles Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	Wm Thorn
Judah Hammond	Francis Cooper
	Henry Mead.

His Honor the Mayor informed the Board that he had called this meeting at the request of the Committee on Public offices to whom had been referred the Petition of the Bakers and Dealers in Flour on the subject of the inspection of Flour

Mr Crane from the Committee on Public offices presented the following report

The Committee on Public offices to whom was referred the memorial of Sundry Bakers Citizens and Dealers in Flour addressed to [2] *to* the Honourable the Legislature praying that the Law in relation to the inspection of Flour be so amended as that all Flour whether for home consumption or otherwise Should be subject to inspection, together with a letter from Mr Jonas Humbert Setting forth certain facts shewing the necessity of Such an Amendment and praying the Corporation to unite and concur in the Aforesaid memorial Respectfully Report

That they have given this Subject that attention which they deemed to be necessary

Your Committee are of opinion that there are but few if any Subjects of the importance or that more immediately concerns the Citizens at Large than the present and as Public Guardians It behooves the Corporation as your Committee conceives to watch over their Concerns & adopt Such measures as will protect the unwary from either the weakness or wickedness of the designing

Your Committee did not believe it necessary or that it was any part of their duty to enquire whether the shortness of weight complained of was occasioned by carelessness [3] or Design, it was sufficient for them to know that Flour in considerable quantities had been

sold and that there were now about 5000 barrels in the city short of weight as appears by the Statement of the Inspector Sworn to before His honour the Mayor on the 20th inst. and hereunto annexed which Statement further shows also attested that 1542 Blls have been offered for Inspection since March last which fell short 5524 lbs, more than 3 lbs to the bls on an average Your Comee therefore have thought proper to make an Estimate of all the Flour consumed in the City they say that there are about 20.000 families of 6 & a fraction to each who consume One lb [per] person or 2 Three lb loaves in each Family making a consumption of 615 Bls per day or 224,475 Bls per annum which at a weight corresponding light with the 1542 Bls offered for inspection would be 3435 Bls of 196 lbs each loss to our Citizens which at the present price of $6 amounts to $20,610.

From the view Your Committee have taken of the subject being Supported by sundry Affidavits in corroboration of Mr Browns statement they do most unequivocally and sincerely believe it to be the imperious duty of the Corporation to [4] unite and concur in the memorial & would therefore recommend the following resolutions

Resolved that the Board unite and concur in the Memorial to the Legislature praying that the law in relation to the Inspection of Flour be so amended as that all Flour in casks offered for sale whether for Home consumption or otherwise Shall be Subject to Inspection

Signed Benjn Crane
Henry Mead
Abr. Valentine

Feb. 21st
1822

The same being read and the question taken thereon it was carried in the affirmative and a copy thereof was directed to be duly authenticated and to be transmitted to the Legislature with the Petition

[5] In Common Council March 4th 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen.	Assistants.
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The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Special meeting were read and approved

A petition of Joseph Place Lessee of House at Brooklyn requesting permission to remove the house out on a line with the house occupied by Benjamin Smith which being read was referred to the Finance Committee.

* Space left; no names entered.—Ed.

A petition of W^m^ Cornell for appointment as a measurer of Grain was referred to the Committee on applications

A communication was made of resolutions passed at a meeting of the 13^th^ ultimo of the Inhabitants of Brooklyn stating an intention of applying to the Legislature for a reduction of the rates of ferriage in the Team boat transportation at the Fulton ferry and for a revision of the [6] law regulating the rates of ferriage in the Team boat transportation at the Fulton ferry and requesting the cooperation of the Common Council with them accompanied with printed documents in relation to the management of the Fulton Ferry which having been read was referred to the Ferry comm^ee^

A Petition of James Bogert stating that he is desirous of making an ornamental fence along his lot on the West side of Courtlandt St. from Broadway as well to prevent nuisances as to protect his Cellar and requesting permission therefore which having been read was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Edw^d^ Leonard for appointment of Sweeper to Washington Market was referred to the Market committee

A petition of Benjamin Smith Lessee of House at Brooklyn requesting permission to transfer the lease of the same to H Barklow was referred to the Finance Committee with authority

[7] A petition of Richard Smith to be appointed Deputy Clerk of the Market about to be erected at Old Slip was referred to the Market committee

A petition of John Dodge to be appointed a city Weigher was read and on motion of Mr Depeyster he was appointed to said office

A petition of William Gray for reduction of Tax assessed on him he being a Clergyman was referred to the committee on Assessments

A petition of Ann Mayo in behalf of her husband Sam'l Mayo a licensed Pawnbroker praying remission of penalty incurred by not keeping a book of registry as directed by Law was referred to the committee on Police

A petition of Haviland Weeks for Appointment of Inspector of Paving was referred to the Street committee

[8] A Petition from the Treasurer of the College of Physicians and Surgeons praying the remission of a tax assessed on Lot N° 8 Park Place it being under lease from Trinity church and the property of the College which was referred to the committee on Assessments.

A petition from the Lessees of Hucksters Stands in Fulton Market praying to be permitted to sell Eggs at their Stands was referred to the Market committee

A petition of W^m A Hardenbrook for relief from fine for selling a side of Beef, which had been stall fed by him from his wagon in the Bowery was referred to the Market comm^ee

A petition of Jonathan Skillman Lessee of Stall N^o 87 Fulton market complaining of the confined situation of his Stall and praying that a different arrangement may be made of the Stalls in the market was referred to the Market committee

[9] A petition of Henry & W^m Cochrane praying payment of balances due to them on contract for paving Hudson & other Streets which was referred to the Finance committee

The application of Henry A. Rider to lease Lot N^o 14 on corner North of Fulton St. & South on Dey St. was referred to the Finance committee

A Memorial of David Dunham Cornelius DuBois & Judith and Margaret Winthrop interested in a piece of ground in the tenth ward bounded by First avenue North St & First St. praying that the Corporation at the same time that they apply to the Legislature for an alteration in the regulation of the City as laid out by the Commissioners of Streets & Roads in relation to the ground between Avenue B North St. & Second St would also apply for a further alteration in relations to their ground so as to stop First Street at the First Avenue and extending the Lots fronting on the North side of First St. between the First Avenue & North St. to the North side of North St. Which being read was referred to the St. Committee

[10] A petition to have Essex Street Paved from Broom to Delancey St was referred to Street committee

A Report from the Trustees of the Saving bank for the year 1821 was presented & referred to Finance committee to enquire as to the propriety of causing the same to be published in the papers employed by the Board

The following persons were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Hook & Ladder Company

N^o 1

John Davidson, Cooper No 28 Maiden Lane Vice Charles Rollinson transf^d

Fire Engine Company N^o 30.

Benjamin R Raynor Cartman, C. Bowery & Rivington Vice W^m Gray Deceased

The St Comm^r presented an ordinance for Well and Pump in Grand

St between Allen and orchard St and one for regulating Wooster St. from Canal to Spring St, which were passed and Abraham Dally John Fargee & James Bleecker were Appointed Assessors [11] in the first and Benj[a] Prince John Bedient and John Brower in the last.

He also stated that in consequence of the late heavy rains the Minetto Sewer required some repairs which was referred to the Canal committee

The city Inspector reported the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances which were passed

N°	1	A Journeay	owner		Canal St	A Lot.
	2	D°	D°		D°	D°
	3	John McLeod	Executor		D°	D°
	4	John Dias	owner		D°	D°
	5	Geo. Lovett	"		Delancey	"
	6	Wm Edgar	"		"	"
	7	Jane Dartnell	Lessee		Chatham	"
	8	Mr Woodhull	owner		Duane St.	"
	9	Chas Weeks	"		Howard St	"
	10	M *Guatier* [Gautier]	occupant	123	Fly Market	A Privy
	11	D Banvard Junr	"		Pump St	"
	12	Henry Eagle	"	38	Division St	"
	13	A Dupignac	"	70	"	"
	14	M H Smith	"	90	"	"
	15	J Francis	"	112	"	"
	16	W Smith	"	118	"	"
	17	[12] J Turney	"	120	"	"
	18	J Harley	"	122		"
	19	J Rudderow	"	142	"	"
	20	J Humphrey	"	144	"	"
	21	J Thornbury	"	146	"	"
	22	M Simpson	"	148	"	"
	23	B Green	"	152	"	"
	24	Dr C Van brunt		182	"	"
	25	J Fenton	"		Washington St	"
	26	H Hutchinson	"		"	"
	27	H Marsh	"	3	O[r]chard	"
	28	W L Vandeusen	"	45	*Cherry* [Perry]	"
	29	Mrs *Duyon* [Dwyer]	"	47	"	"
	30	P Stagg	Owner		Ferry St.	"
	31	P McQueen	Occupt	527	Greenwich	"
	32	C Wallis	"	529	"	"
	33	J Graham	"	88	Pearl	"
	34	J C Gelston	"	92	"	"
	35	J H Williams	"	315	"	"
	36	Waldron & Lent	"	367	"	"
	37	M Chambers	"	347	"	"
	38	S Griffen	"	402	"	"

39	J Weeks	Occupt	404	Pearl	A Privy
40	Bayles & Kennedy	"	15	Catharine	"
41	J W Johnson	"	17	"	"
42	*J* [T] Bell	"	1½	Harman	"
43	J Wymbs	"	3	"	"
44	[13] L Bell	"	5	"	"
45	W Church	"	28	"	"
46	M Neal	"	32	"	"
47	J Mansfield	"	35	"	"
48	J Carr	"	43	"	"
49	D Baker	"	71	"	"
50	J. R. Midwinter	"	84	"	"
51	J *Lecaw* [Secor]	"	91	"	"
52	T Cutler	"	15	Market	"
53	G Frederick	"	2	Torbert	"
54	F Allen	"	3	"	"
55	M Conner	"	4	"	"
56	F Farren	"	5	"	"
57	L Hannan	"	6	"	"
58	W Morton	"	8	"	"
59	B Slayman	"	9	"	"
60	W Connelly	"	15	Henry St	"
61	G Wright	"	16	"	"
62	P Hall	"	17	"	"
63	J Baker	"	19	"	"
64	H Cole	"	64	"	"
65	E Davis	"	21	"	"
66	W Adair	"	24	"	"
67	J Tice	"	25	"	"
68	S Martin	"	29	"	"
69	R Garrison	"	33	"	"
70	J ODonnell	"	35	"	"
71	[14] J McArdle	"	36	"	"
72	Wm Carmichael	"	38	"	"
73	S Ballagh	"	41	"	"
74	T Miller	"	50	"	"
75	J McCummiskey	"	51	"	"
76	J Ware	"	55	"	"
77	Mrs Pierce	"	69	"	"
78	C Wilcox	"	77	"	"
79	E Cobb	"	83	"	"
80	W Bailey	"	84	"	"
81	H Waterbury	"	85		"
82	R Jacobs	"	86	"	"
83	L Hinnegan	"	88	"	"
84	R Cave	"	91	"	"
85	C Johnson	"	94	"	"

City Inspectors office
4th March 1822

Signed Geo. Cumming
city Inspector

He also reported under the resolution of the Board three ordinances respecting Lots which required a reference Viz[t] two directed to Albert Journeay and one to John M[c]Leod which were referred to the Street Committee

[15] A Report was received from the Attorney in relation to a prosecution against William Collins for not removing a sign which was referred to the Police committee

The Counsel presented a lease of the Street Manure to Bernard J Meserolle and Michael D Higgins and a lease to Roger Prout of Lot N[o] 1159 Bayards. E. Farm in pursuance of an Act passed 26 March 1819—heretofore sold for a term of years which term has expired—and which Leases were directed to be duly executed

He also presented "A Law for the appointment of a watchmen to attend at the Fulton Market which was passed

He also agreably to order presented a Memorial to the Legislature and corresponding Bill in relation to landing of Cotton which being read was as follows An Act to amend an act entitled an "Act to provide against infectious & pestilential diseases

Be it enacted by the People of the State of New York in Senate and Assembly convened that it shall be lawful to bring sound cotton the produce of the United States or of the [16] territories thereof from the Quarantine Ground or other places of Déposit in the States of New York and New Jersey by water to the Wharves and docks in the City of New York between the first day of June and the first day of October and to land the same on any of the said Wharves or docks for the purpose of there wheighing the Same and repairing the bales and of forthwith reshipping the Same Provided nevertheless that no such cotton shall be suffered to remain on any of the said wharves or docks for a longer period than Six days nor after the Board of Health of the Said City shall order it to be removed nor shall it be lawful to land as aforesaid nor to suffer any Cotton to remain at any of the said Wharves or docks in violation of the orders of the Board of Health

The question being taken on agreeing to the same it was carried in the affirmative the Ayes and Noes having been called by Mr Cooper the Members voted as follows

Affirmative Ald. Wyckoff, Townsend, Gelston, Bingham, Emmons, Thorp, Hammond, Mr Bolton, Valentine Town De Peyster 11

Negative Ald. Mann Mr Crane, Parker, Thorn Cooper 5

[17] Mr Cooper gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the board move for a reconsideration of the question

A motion for adjournment was lost.

The Street committee on the Petition of Morgan Lewis & others in relation to Avenues [A] B, C, & D, reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Morgan Lewis and others relative to Avenues A B C & D, Respectfully Report.

That they have carefully Investigated the Statement in the memorial and find that the Avenues from A to D are from 1600 to 2000 feet in length and 100 in width. Having duly considered the request made by the Memorialists and that it would be a serious injury to the owners of the property to compell them to fill up the said avenues to the Width of 100 feet and without any benefit to the public in consequence of their not being more than 2000 ft in length

Your Committee are aware that the Corporation ought not to apply to the Legislature to be authorised by them to make alterations in the plan laid down by them Commissioners unless the alterations is so evident that it cannot be avoided

[18] They are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and recommend to the board the adoption of the following resolution to wit

Resolved that the board make application to the Legislature so to alter the plan of the city laid out by the commissioners to authorise them to make Avenue A but 75 feet and Avenue B. C. and D, but 60 feet in width and also to discontinue so much of Second Street as extends easterly beyond the Avenue C.

Resolved that the Counsel of the board be instructed to prepare a law & memorial in conformity to the above resolution.

Signed Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Geo B Thorp

Which was ordered to be laid on the Table

The same Committee on the petition for filling in Laurence Street Presented a reported which was read and agreed to in the words following.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Francis Child and others relative to filling up Lawrence St from [19] Grand to Canal street and the adjacent lots Respectfully Report.

That they believe the statement made by the petitioners to be correct but find that Lawrence from Grand to Canal St. not Ceded and a part of it adjoining Canal Street on which there is an assess-

ment of between four and five hundred dollars for Canal Street and to which there is no owner likewise the aforesaid assessment not yet confirmed by the Supreme Court Your Committee having taken those circumstances into consideration Induced them to offer their opinion in the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient for the Corporation to order the said street to be filled up at present

Signed Francis Cooper
Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann
Henry J. Wyckoff
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Memorial of the officers of the 1st Brigade of New York State Artillery reported as follows,

*[19] The St Committee to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Birdsall and other Artillery officers relative to opening White St. through the Arsenal Yard respectfully

Report,

That, they have considered the same and find that agreable to a petition of Dominick Lynch the board passed a resolution on the 17th of September 1821 that White St. be opened from Elm St. to Collect St. on or before the first day of April next and that since that the Corporation sold the said Dominick Lynch a piece of ground under the full impression that the same was to go into effect they therefore offer the following resolution for adoption

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the *the* prayers of the Petitioners

Signed Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Geo. B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[20] The Same Comittee on the petition of Saml Paxton reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Paxton for permission to sell furniture in front of his store 73 Wall St Respectfully Report that they have had the same under con-

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

sideration and find that the ordinance of the Corporation against Sales being made in Wall below Water St and believe it would discommode the public by granting the permission and therefore offer the following resolution Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

Signed Francis Cooper
Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Samuel H Maginniss relative to repairing of his Stoop

Respectfully Report that they have had the same under consideration and find that no encroachment has been made by the repairs of the aforesaid stoop and therefore offer the [21] following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted

Signed Francis Cooper
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition that the Houses in Forsyth St be numbered reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of R Bennett and others relative to numbering the Houses in Forsyth St,

Respectfully Report that they believe the facts stated therein to be correct and are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted And your Committee would further report that the Houses in Hudson St. Harman Cherry and Greenwich Streets are in a similar situation and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the St. Commissioner be authorised to have the houses in [22] Forsyth St. Hudson, Harman Cherry and Greenwich Streets numbered

Signed Francis Cooper
Geo. B Thorp
Asa Mann
Henry J. Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The committee consisting of the Alderman and Assistant of the 2nd Ward & St Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Chas Miller Junr reported as follows.

The Alderman & Assistant of the second Ward and the St Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Chas Miller Junr for permission to build a vault in Ann Street of greater width than is permitted by Law beg leave to Report

That in their opinion it would be improper to allow any vault to extend further into the Street than is permitted by the ordinances of the corporation and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved that it is improper to [23] grant the prayer of the petitioner

Signed Thomas S Townsend
Abraham Valentine
R Graves.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Hays reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Hays in which he states that the assessors of the 10th Ward have assessed him for four Lots of Ground whereas he only owns three and that they have valued two houses on said Lots $400 each more than they are worth and praying relief in the premises

Report That they have investigated this subject and find that the ground alluded to was originally three Lots of 26 feet each that having been assessed by the Assesors as 4 Lots was in consequence of their being so divided by the petitioner on two of which there are buildings mentioned in the petition as having been valued too high The assessors having [24] declined granting the Certificate usually given by them in Cases of overcharge, or error Your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted and respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner

Signed Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn
John Bingham

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same Committee on the Petition of William Williams reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of W^m^ Williams in which he says that he has been assessed for Personal Tax in the 3^d^ ward for the Year 1821 That he has no personal property in this City (except a pew in the Brick Church) that his family reside at Hyde Park in Dutchess county where he has already paid Taxes for 1821 and Prays to be relieved from paying the personal tax assessed on him in the 3^d^ Ward

[25] Report that they have carefully examined this case and find that at the time when the Assessors went round for the purpose of assessing the inhabitants of the 3^d^ Ward that the Petitioner did reside with his Family at No 45 Warren St that they came in the fall of 1820 and he did not remove his family to Hyde Park untill August 1821 and that the Petitioner himself still continues to reside at N° 45 Warren St. Under these circumstances your Committee are of opinion that the Petitioner is not entitled to relief and respectfully recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed Cha^s^ Town
Thomas Bolton
W^m^ Thorn
John Bingham

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[26] The Same Committee on the petition of David Raynor reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of David Raynor praying to be relieved from paying the tax assessed on his personal property on the 10^th^ Ward having been assessed in the 7^th^ Ward where he resides

Report.

that they have examined this Case and find from a certificate granted by the Assessors of the 10^th^ ward that they have assessed him through mistake Supposing him a resident because he occupies a Grocery Store in that ward it however having been Satisfactorily proved to them that he was a resident of the 7^th^ Ward they gave him a Certificate in which they recommend that he be relieved from paying personal Tax in the 10^th^ Ward Your committee concurring with the Assessors respectfully recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 10^th^ Ward be instructed to de-

cline collecting the Tax assessed on the Personal property of David Raynor and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Signed Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
W Thorn
J Bingham

[27] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Philetas Havens reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Philetas Havens praying to be relieved from paying the personal Tax assessed on him in the 1st Ward for the Year 1821 Report

that they have investigated this case and find that from representations made to them by the Petitioner in which they place full confidence that he now pays taxes on Real Estate which he holds under heavy incumbrances for much more than he is worth and that in reality he has no personal property The Assessors of the 1st Ward have given him a certificate in which they say that if such representations had been made to us at the time we should not have assessed him for any personal property at all Under all the circumstances of the case your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted to effect which the following resolution is respectfully submitted

[28] Resolved that the collector of the 1st Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of Philetas Havens and that he return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Signed Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn
John Bingham

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Isaac Requa reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Requa praying the correction of an error made in an assessment on his house & Lot in Spring St. by the Assessors of the 8th Ward for 1821.

Report that they have had this case under examination and find that the Petitioners property assessed at $2100. it however appears

from the Certificate of the assessors that they valued it at $1200, and that $2100 is a mistake made in transcribing from the Original book of Assessment the Committee are of opinion that the error ought to be [29] corrected and respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved

that the collector of the 8th ward be instructed to receive from Isaac Requa the tax on $1200 on his house and lot in Spring St in lieu of $2100 and that he return the balance in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

Signed Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
William Thorn
John Bingham

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The following resolution was presented and referred to the comee on applications to the Legislature

Resolved that the subject of the Charter Election be referred to a committee to enquire into the expediency of a Law to regulate the time of holding the Elections in future

On motion of Ald. Mann the draft of a law for the appointment of a St. Commr & to regulate the paving and keeping in repair & to prevent obstructions in the Sts of N York and the draft of [30] the law in addition to a law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York and *and* for other purposes which were reported on the 29th of october last & the consideration postponed were made the order of the day at the next meeting of the Board

The Comptroller reported March 4th 1822

Balance in the Treasury	73.93
Received for Streets	856.46
" Tax of 1821 1st & 5th Wards	7900.
" " 1	5000.
	14830.39

39 Accts. audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibbard & Clark do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	435.75
Geo Cumming city Inspector 1 Qr Salary 1st Inst	200.
Talman J Waters Clerk in Compts office 1 Qr Salary	200.
Thomas Franklin Chf Engr 1. Qr 28 Feb	125.
B Skaats Keeper City Hall 1. Qr 24 Feb	150.
Obadiah Ayres Assist. City Inspr "	42.

George Mills Assist. Board of Health	42.
Benjn Hicks do " "	42.
Samuel Hutchings St. Inspector	49.
Jonathan Pinckney " "	49.
Abraham Ackerman " "	49.
Astin and Cochrane Messengers	48.
[31] Danl H Magee Keeper of Potters field	35.
Ezra Frost clerk of Fulton Market	93.11
Richard Smith clerk of Washington market	39.
B Skaats expenses for corporation 1 Qr 24 Feb	219.69
James Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary 26. feb	187.50
Josiah Hedden do " " " "	187.50
Henry Abell do " " " "	187.50
R Stephens Assist Clerk " " " "	200.
Geo B Rapalye Clerk Police " " "	187.50
Geo B Raymond for officers conveying prisoners to Prison	120.50
J Hays for officers conveying Persons to Penitentiary	53.
J Hays for " Extra services Police	233.58
Richd Hatfield Clerk of Sessions 1. Qr Salary 2nd Inst	500.
B Skaats crier of Court 1. Qr do.	25.
M M Noah Sheriff for deputies conveying persons to Penitentiary from 1st Aug. 1821 to 1 inst	51.
G. Snethen Superintending Lighting Lamps 1 mo. 1 inst	654.61
R Provoost repairing lamps 1 mo 1st inst	55.73
Thomas Lovett acct regulating Harman St	200.
Hugh Smith acct paving Thompson St	150.
Caleb Fitch acct regulatg Pitt St	30.
R Pettigrew bal. for Well in Orange St	34.30
A *Storens* [Storms] bal. building pier at Orange Wharf	1991.37
David Lyon Hose and repairs Engn 29 octr to 8 feb	793.67
Benjamin Brower for stone at the Battery	364.
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House	5000.
	$14.623.81
Balance	$206.58

[32] Special Meeting In Common Council March 8th 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Thomas S Townsend	Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony	Abraham Valentine
John Bingham	Charles Town
Isaac Emmons	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Henry Mead

His honour the Mayor informed the board that he had summoned the meeting in consequence of receiving information that the pro-

prietors of the ground proposed to be taken for the extension & widening of Beekman St. had commenced erecting buildings on the same and as such proceedings might hereafter be attended with considerable expenses to the Neighbourhood he thought that it was proper the Common Council should be informed of the circumstance that they might [33] take such order as they should judge necessary Whereupon on motion of Alderman Hammond it was resolved that the counsel of the Board be authorised and requested to take such steps as may be by law authorised to prevent any person or persons from erecting any Building or Buildings on the ground covered by the contemplated line of Beekman St. between Pearl St. and the East River untill the time for extending Beekman St, shall be determined upon by the Supreme Court on the application of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York now pending before that honourable court.

Resolved also that the Counsel be authorised to employ & associate with him other counsel in this case & that the Mayor be requested to affix in the recess of the Board the Common Seal of the city to such Bill in Chancery or other Legal proceedings as the Counsel may require

[34] In Common Council March 18th 1822

Present. The Honourable Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Thomas S Townsend	Abraham Valentine
Maltby Gelston	
John P Anthony	Benjn Crane
John Bingham	Chas Town
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Isaac Emmons	Francis Cooper
George B Thorp	Gerard DePeyster
Judah Hammond	Henry Mead

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting were read & approved

A Petition of Charles Thorn to be appointed A Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Com. on Applications

[35] A further Pet from Legrand Jarvis for payment of his account for surveying the ground assigned for the Gaol limits in the City were read and referred to the Committee on Finance

A Petition of John Van Riper for appointment as Keeper of Pottersfield was referred to the committee on Applications

A Petition of Abraham Kidney for priviledge to construct a vault in Lispenard St. was referred to the Ald. & Assist. of the ward & the St. Com^{r} with authority &c

A Petition of Henry Eckford for permission to dock out his Shipyard 150 feet & to extend his present Piers adjoining Stanton St Slip 150 feet further was read & referred to the Com^{ee} on Wharves Piers & Slips

A committee consisting of W^{m} Bayard Peter Sharpe Jacob Drake John Pintard & Philip Hone attended in person the meeting of the Common Council and stated that by a meeting of the Citizens held on the 6th instant for the purpose of [36] adopting measures for erecting a Statue of Genl Washington a committee was appointed to carry into effect the object of the meeting and they were appointed by that committee to wait upon the Common Council & solicit that a committee may be appointed from the body to confer & Cooperate with the General committee appointed on that subject

Whereupon the following were appointed a committee for that purpose Ald Gelston Emmons Mr Bolton Parker & Town

A petition of Jacob Wright for appointment of St Inspector was read and referred to the committee of Applications

A Petition of Barbara Owens praying repayment of certain sums of money paid by her for rent &c of Cellar under Washingt^{n} market was referred to the Finance committee.

A Petition of Francis Childs for relief from an Assessment for a Sewer in Grand St, was referred to the Comm^{ee} on Assessments

[37] A Petition of Lewis & Joseph Webb praying to be exempted from payment of Quit rent for their Water Grants for the last three years as they have been deprived of the use of the ground was referred to the Finance committee

A Petition of Fire Engine Company N^{o} 11 praying to be supplied with a larger Engine was referred to the Com^{ee} on the Fire Department.

A Memorial from a Com^{ee} on the Fire departm^{t} of the city suggesting certain modifications of the Law in relation to the appointing of Engineers was referred to the committee on the Fire Department.

A petition of the Lessees under Fulton market praying to be supplied with the Manhattan water was referred to the Market committee

A petition of Alexander Colden for appointm[t] of City Weigher was referred to the Comm[ee] on Applications

[38] A Petition of Wright Carpenter for appointment of St. Inspector was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition from W[m] M Carter for relief from fine incurred by incumbring the side walks was referred to the Police committee

A remonstrance from the owners of ground in 1[st] & 2[nd] Streets against the prayer of a petition requesting an alteration of the Map of the Commissioners of streets & Roads so as that said Streets may be stopped before the final termination of those Streets as by said Map which being read was referred to the St. Committee

A Petition from owners in Grand St, for a new pump in that St, on North side of the Street was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the ward and the St. Comm[r]

A Petition of Abel W Hardenbrook for relief from assessment for Sewer in Thompson St. was referred to the Canal Committee.

[39] A Petition of Margaret Romaine was received stating that the Commissioners for opening First St. some time since did assess in favour of owners to them unknown of certain parcels of ground in the 10[th] ward required for opening First St. the sum of $214.$^{97}/_{100}$ that the said Margaret has by recoveries in actions of Ejectment, recovered possession of said Parcels of ground so as aforesaid assessed and is entitled to the sums so awarded in favour of the owners of said ground, that said sum has been paid to and now is in the Treasury of the Corporation that she has been assessed for paving and regulating said First St. the sum of 51.$^{42}/_{100}$ which sum she prays may be deducted from the said $214 $^{97}/_{100}$ and the balance being $163.$^{55}/_{100}$ may be paid to her Whereupon the same was referred to the Comptroller and St. Com[r]

A Letter from Edward M[c]Laughlin late Excise officer on the subject of a balance due to him on account of incidental expenses of Clerk hire and of counterfeit money passed on him was referred to the Finance Committee

[40] A further petition of Leonard Baker in relation to a fine incurred by running a carriage for hire without License was referred to the Police committee

A Petition in behalf of Levi Coit D Sewell & Cambreleng & Pearson for permission to build Four vaults in White St, was referred to the Ald. & Assist of the ward & St Comm[r] to grant on the usual terms

A Petition from Hose Company N[o] 1, praying that their company

now consisting of 15 men may be encreased to 20. was referred to the Commᵉᵉ on the Fire Department

A Petition of Gulian & Thomas W Ludlow was received stating the Head of the Sewer in the 6ᵗʰ Avenue has been injured by the late rains that they are owners of Lots opposite Said Sewer that they understood it is proposed to Assess upon them the expences of repairing said Sewer against which they remonstrate as unequal unjust & oppressive Whereupon the same was referred to the Canal Commᵉᵉ

[41] A petition of Jacob Slocum was received stating that he is a teacher in the city that the School House he occupies has since the year 1811 been taxed & being ignorant of the law exempting School Houses from Tax he has paid the same amounting to $54.$^{75}/_{100}$ that he is again called upon for Tax on said school House he further stated that he had been assessed for personal tax in two wards & praying relief in the Premises Whereupon the same was referred to the committee on Assessments

A Petition that Broome St, may be paved between Sullivan Stᵗ & Thompson St, was presented & referred to the St. Committee

A Petition of John B Clark for permission to erect stairs to a Store in Washington St, corner of Cedar St was referred to the Street committee

A petition of George Robey for relief from fine incurred by selling second Hand articles without a license as a Pawnbroker was referred to the Police Committee

[42] A Petition of G. C. Langdon Lessee under the Corporation of Lots of Ground & Building situated at Brooklyn L Island stating that for improving Water St. the Trustees of Brooklyn have assessed on the lots so held by Petitioner the sum of $200 and upwards that in consequence of the regulations of the Street for said improvement the buildings on the Lots will require to be raised and expenses incurred to a considerable amount that as such expenses were not contemplated at the time of taking the lease and as the improvements enure to the benefit of the Freehold he prays relief in the premises Whereupon the same was referred to the Finance Committee.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board a letter from the Hon'ble Walter Bowne a Senator in the Senate of this State enclosing a Report made to the Senate on the 5ᵗʰ of March inst, by the Committee of the Senate to whom had been referred that part of the Governors speech which related to the Criminal laws and the Employment of Convicts on the Canals which was read

[43] He also stated that an Act had passed the Legislature on the 4th of Februery entitled an Act, for the better Government of the Alms House in the city of New York and also an Act relative to Intelligence offices in the city of New York which required to be acted upon by the Corporation Whereupon the former was referred to the Commissrs of the Alms House and the latter to the Police committee

A Petition of Samuel Cavnaghan was received Stating that while employed at the building of Fulton Market he had had the misfortune to fall whereby his skull was fractured and some of his ribs broken and he is thereby rendered unable to labor for the maintenance of his family and praying some relief was referred to the Commee on Charity

A Representation was made by Thomas Miller one of the Assessors of the 9th Ward stating that in the original assessment book, property of Robert Halliday [44] was put at the value of $6000 but in the copy it was carried out only $600 and requesting directions to the collector how to proceed in the collection, was referred to the committee on Assessments

The following persons were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Engine Company

No 5.

Blasius Moore Clerk 147 Fulton Street vice, George Thompson, out of town

Francis F Hill Clerk 20 Division Street vice Thomas B Goelett gone to Sea

No 7

James Hennigar Sail Maker 13 Elm Street vice Jonathan Carlton out of town

No 13

Alfred Willis. Accountant Fulton c of Pearl St vice Robert M Hicks Resigned

No 20

Samuel Jackson Clerk cor of Broadway and White vice Jacob Cregier time expired

No 24

James Burling Merchant Water Street vice Wm Hampton Resigned

[45] N° 32

Peter Sembler Rope maker Orchard St. Vice Enoch Dean appointed fire Warden

James Beyea Carpenter 130 Cristy vice Joseph Cox resigned

The St. Commr presented Assessments for Thompson St. and Grand St Sewers which were directed to be referred to the comee on Assessments.

The City Inspector presented an ordinance for the correction of Nuisances on certain Lots owned by the Manhattan Company on the East side of Green St. between Houston and Bleecker St. He also mentioned other Sunken lots in the vicinity of Rivington Delancy, Columbia and Cannon Stts which required ordinances for filling in

Whereupon the whole were referred to the St Committee

He also presented ordinances for the correction of the following Nuisances which were passed

[46] The City Inspector reported the following ordinances for correcting of Nuisances Vizt

N°	1	J. Morrison	Occupant	1	Batavia St	A privy
	2	W Patterson	Do	3	"	"
	3	L Lyon	Do	5	"	"
	4	A Stevenson	"	6	"	"
	5	A Pents	"	11	"	"
	6	E Sneeden	"	16	"	"
	7	C Rodman	"	24	"	"
	8	R. Herd	"	3	James St	"
	9	B. Demaray	"	14	"	"
	10	Mrs Halburton	"	25	"	"
	11	Milbank & Comy	"	28 & 30	"	"
	12	J Reed	"	98	"	"
	13	Mrs Hall	"	102	"	"
	14	M Haggerty	"	367	"	"
	15	T Mooney	"	382	"	"
	16	D Tracy	"	385	"	"
	17	G Course	"	385½	"	"
	18	J Solomon	"	395	"	"
	19	G. W. & H Bruen	Agents	62	William	"
	20	W Moss	occupant	8	Pump	"
	21	G Wilson	"		Nelsons alley	"
	22	D Bell	"	175	Chatham "	"
	23	W McLaughlin	"	7	Republican Alley	"
	24	Mrs. Barton	"	92	Duane St	"
	25	[47] N Whittey	"	131	Mott St	"
	26	J Galloway	"	24	Harrison	"
	27	J Sutliff.	"	22 & 24	Hester	"

28	J B Minton	[Occupant]	194	Division	A privy
29	N Reed		210	"	"
30	S Miller		11	Birmingham	"
31	I Ostrander		12	Do	"
32	Mrs Gallaghy		51	Market St	"
33	J Merchant		51½	Do	"
34	J Harris		54	"	"
35	S Reeves		46	Pike	"
36	C Austin		48	"	"
37	A Colwell		50	"	"
38	T Caldwell		50½	"	"
39	T Sharp		52	"	"
40	Mrs Davis		54	"	"
41	J Hand		97	"	"
42	J James		87	Cherry	"
43	S Purdy		90	"	"
44	J Hadley		91	"	"
45	A Calnoville		92	"	"
46	R Edwards		93	"	"
47	Dr Simers		98	"	"
48	C McCabe		101	"	"
49	T OLeary		106	"	"
50	S H Brower		116	"	"
51	A Pitt		3	cheapside	"
52	[48] J Pollock	Occupant	9	"	"
53	S Dunwell	"	11	"	"
54	E Place	"	31	"	"
55	L Page	"	41	"	"
56	J Benham	"	42	"	"
57	S Gould	"	43	"	"
58	J Messenger	"	45	"	"
59	J Jamieson	"	48	"	"
60	H Tyson	"	9	Oliver "	"
61	J McConnell	"	11	" "	"
62	W Seaman	"	13	" "	"
63	J Wibin	"	15	" "	"
64	J Weeks	"	17	" "	"
65	E Carroll	"	41	" "	"
66	J Williams	"	21	Pike St	"
67	B *McAnnatty* [McNally]	"	23	" "	"
68	J Carroll	"	25	" "	"
69	J Wright	"	27	" "	"
70	J Dibbart	"	38	" "	"
71	P Heyden	"	40	" "	"
72	William Knight	"	42	" "	"
73	F Mitchell	"	44	" "	"
74	D McGarrey	"	46	" "	"
75	D McKenney	"	23	Catharine "	"
76	J Crawford	"	28	" "	"

77	J Brewer	Occupant	33	Catharine St	A privy
78	J Walsh	"	38	" "	"
79	[49] Mrs Corbitt	"	63	"	"
80	H McDonald	"	78	"	"
81	H Farrell	"	88	"	"
82	J McAlpin	"	17	"	"
83	S Christy	"	23	"	"
84	R Morton	"	24	"	"
85	J Cruger	"	32	"	"
86	Mrs Barnet	"	37	"	"
87	W R Walworth	"	39	"	"
88	D Valentine	"	41	Banker	"
89	J Patten	"	53	"	"
90	M Kenney	"	63	"	"
91	D Foley	"	65	"	"
92	J Clements	"	70	"	"
93	S Davis	"	72	"	"
94	J Jacobs	"	74	"	"
95	P Slowley	"	80	"	"
96	E Engles	"	86	"	"
97	M Cox	"	88	"	"
98	D Haines	"	90	"	"
99	P Mc*Keinan* [Kiernan]	"	94	"	"
100	R Gordon	"	97	"	"
101	P Berry	"	100	"	"
102	J McLaughlin	"	118	"	"
103	J Watson	"	120	"	"
104	P Curran	"	121	"	"
105	J Howe	"	123	"	"
106	[50] W Tait	"	124	"	"
107	S. Butler	"	125	"	"
108	J. Hughes	"	126	"	"
109	W Smith	"	127	"	"
110	C OConnor	"	128	"	"
111	M OBryan	"	132	"	"
112	M [J] Fegan	"	136	"	"
113	A Tiebout	"	137	"	"
114	P Philips	"	144	"	"
115	D Mais	"	146	"	"
116	J Palmer	"	150	"	"
117	Wm Reaves	"	164	"	"
118	K L'Hommedieu	"	164½	"	"
119	Wm Slam	Owner	Lombardy	"	"
120	J Titus	Occupt	11	"	"
121	J Lockwood	"	16	"	"
122	W Hamilton	"	23	"	"
123	O McCabe	"	27	"	"
124	S Daly	"	29	"	"
125	J Stratton	"	23	"	"

126	J Smart	Occupt	35	Lombardy	A privy
127	S Daly	"	36	"	"
128	S Gibson	"	37	"	"
129	W Waterbury	"	73	"	"
130	C Shamburg	"	75	"	"
131	J Prince	"	79	"	"
132	O Frost	"	79	"	"
133	[51] C Bouton	"	82	"	"
134	P Burk	"	84	"	"
135	T Pier	"	21	Oak	"
136	S Forbes	"	23	"	"
137	H Fisher	"	24	"	"
138	J Smith	"	25	"	"
139	H Van Pelt	"	27	"	"
140	J Seenson	"	28	"	"
141	J Loyd	"	29	"	"
142	M Kearn	"	30	"	"
143	S Buckridge	"	32	"	"
144	F Taylor	"	34	"	"
145	N Fullington	"	35	"	"
146	M Cocks	"	47	"	"
147	M Mount	"	49	"	"
148	Mrs Kiug	"		Henry "	"
149	J Hunt	"	1	Do "	"
150	Mrs McDonald	"	2	" "	"
151	C Mc*Gaven* [Govern]	"	3	" "	"
152	J Nash	"	4	"	"
153	Widow Alexander	"	5	"	"
154	P Teller	"	7	"	"
155	Reed & Vanderbilt	"	9	"	"
156	Widow Morris	"	10	"	"
157	R Burnside	"	44	"	"
158	J Heath	"	48	"	"
159	[52] W Flanagan	"	56	"	"
160	J Reynolds	"	87	Cherry	"
161	Mrs Helme	"	91	"	"
162	J Sanxy	"	102	"	"
163	R Turner	"	112	"	"
164	J Marshall	"	113	"	"
165	J Low	"	139	"	"
166	W Talman	"	167	"	"
167	J Van Sicklen	"	169 & 171	"	"
168	Robert Bogardus	"	349	Broadway	"
169	P Sherry	"	24	Roosevelt	"
170	P W Durando	"	23	"	"
171	J Vansice	"	44	"	"
172	P W Lent	"	54	"	"
173	J Seaman	"	56	"	"
174	P Gartlan	"	58	"	"

175	S Gracen	Occupt	52	Cherry	A privy
176	J Chase	"	62	"	"
177	M Parks	"	76	"	"
178	Ann Newell	"	78	"	"
179	A Acheson	"	351	Water St	"
180	Patrick Riley	"	358	"	"
181	M Cahill	"	325	"	"
182	M Fitzgerald	"	381	"	"
183	Chas G Bolien	"	349	"	"
184	J Carroll	"	351	"	"
185	P Barry	"	357	"	"
186	[53] J Lane	"	355	"	"
187	H. P. Havens	"	291 & 2	Front St	"
188	J Dixon	"	288	"	"
189	J West	"		Greenwich	"
190	E Anderson and D Board	Owners		Charlton St	"
191	W Edgar	Owner		Cannon St	"
192	Do				
193	A Briant	"		" & Delancey	"
194	Mrs Munson	"	53	Greenwich	"
195	W. B. Crosby	Agent		Market "	"
196	G Lorillard	Owner		"	"
197	C Ray	"		Crosby	"
198	Geo. Stewart	"	179	Bowery	"
199	A Woodruff	Occupt	537	Greenwich	"
200	I Wigham	Owner		Laurens	"
201	R Dickinson	"		"	"
202	J B Scott	Agent		"	"
203	J Thompson	Owner		"	"
204	J. J. Astor	Do		"	"
205	B Brewster	Agent		"	"
206	T & G Lovett	"		"	"
207	J R Murray	Owner		"	"
208	J R Murray	Agent		"	"
209	A Abbott	Occupant	11	*Ducht* [Dutch] St	"

Signed Geo Cumming
City Inspr

[54] The Comptroller communicated that some of the officers of the Corporation did not comply with the direction of the Law in relation to making their returns of monies received at the stated periods which communication was referred to the committee on Public Offices

He also stated that delays frequently occurred in persons taking out Leases and Grants which occasioned inconvinience in his Department which was referred to the Finance Committee

He also stated that some of the Butchers in Fulton market had

neglected to take out their Leases and also some of the Lessees of Cellars under said market Whereupon the same was referred to the Market Commᵉᵉ

He also stated that the lease for the Public Docks & Slips would expire on the 1ˢᵗ day of May next. He observed that from the various sums which under the present mode of renting them had been paid it was impossible to ascertain with any accuracy [55] what they ought to bring He therefore suggested that for the present year one wharfinger should be appointed for the North and one for the East river to collect the wharfage and pay the amount into the Treasury monthly to be compensated by a percentage allowance on the sums collected

Whereupon the same was referred to the *to the* Finance committee

The Counsel presented for execution a Lease of the Hay Scales at the foot of Duane St to Wᵐ Civill which was directed to be duly executed

The committee on the Fire Department on the petition of Fire Engine Compʸ Nº 15 to remove the Engine House reported as follows.

The committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the annexed petition of Fire Engine Company no. 15 and of Seventy two other citizens praying that the said Engine may be removed from the ground usually termed the Collect to Chrystie St [56] Report.

That the ground on which the House lately occupied by Fire Engine Company Nº 19 in Chrystie St. Stands may be rented at 40 dollars per year of Mr Stillwill that he is not willing to Lease the said ground for any number of Years but that the said Engine House may remain there untill he wants to occupy the said lot the present situation of Engine Company Nº 15 is very inconvenient as they have to ascend in almost every direction if the fire is not in the vicinity and collect Street is at times almost impassable in the winter Your Committee are therefore of opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and Respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted and that the Chief Engineer is hereby directed to take the necessary measures to carry the same into effect

Signed John P Anthony
M Gelston

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[57] The same Committee on the account of Compensation to the Clerk of Com. Council for making an Alphabetical list of the Firemen reported as follows

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the annexed request of the Clerk of the *Clerk of the* Common Council

Report

That they have made the necessary enquiry and find that the following resolution passed the Board on the 23d Day of December 1816.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Com. Council be directed to prepare an alphabetical List of all the Firemen in the City of New York designating also the length of time they have served as Firemen in order that they may be furnished by the said Clerk with a certificate agreably to the directions of the Law in that Case made and provided This service has been performed and in the performance of said service the Clerk has examined Twenty three Volumes of the minutes of the Board to make the said list

[58] Your Committee are of opinion that the sum of Eight dollars per volume would be a sufficient compensation

Respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller report a warrant in favour of J Morton for one hundred and Eighty four Dollars in full for his services in Compleating an Alphabetical List of the Firemen of this city

Signed John P Anthony
M Gelston

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the communication of the St. Commissioner respecting the Minetto Sewer reported as follows

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Street Commissioner respecting the Minetto Sewer and part of the Sixth Avenue

Report. That the condition of the Sewer and Avenue is such as to require immediate attention from the light Sandy nature of the Soil in the neighbourhood of the head of the Sewer on every occurence of a heavy shower of rain [59] Large quantities of the Sand will be carried into and obstruct the Sewer to a considerable distance below its mouth and as in the late instance Sap and destroy the Sewer itself in order to prevent which your Committee recommend that a part of the sixth Avenue be paved and that the Sewer be cleansed and repaired to effect which they recommend and submit the following resolutions

Resolved that the Minetto Sewer be cleansed out and repaired and

that the Keeper of the Penitentiary be directed to carry the same into effect

Resolved that the Sixth Avenue be regulated and paved to the distance of 50 feet below and 200 feet above the mouth of the Minetto Sewer and that the Street Commissioner report an ordinance accordingly

Signed Geo. B Thorp
Francis Cooper
G DePeyster
Isaac Emmons

Which was approved and the resolution adopted [60] & the Street Commissioner reported an ordinance for paving the Sixth Avenue which was passed

The St Committee on the Petition of Henry W Warner reported as follows

The St Committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry W Warner relative to erecting a building the corner of Pine and Nassau Street upon a line with the Custom house and the Law buildings Respectfully Report.

That they have examined Nassau Street and find that it would narrow the same from this laid down on the Map and therefore are of opinion that the said permission ought not to be granted and offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

Signed Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[61] The same Committee on the petition of James Bogert reported as follows

The Street committee to whom was referred the petition of James Bogart relative to making an ornamental fence on the North side of Cortlandt street the corner of Broad way

Report

That they have viewed Cortlandt St the corner of Broadway and find of sufficient width to admit of the erecting the said fence without Inconvenience to the Public and therefore offer their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved that James Bogart have permission to put up an Iron railing fence in cortlandt Street Seventy five feet from the corner of

Broadway and not exceeding two feet in width under the direction of the St. Commissioner

Sign'd Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[62] The committee on Public offices to whom was referred the Petition of Henry W Thorn reported as follows

The committee on Public offices to whom was referred the Petition of Henry W Thorn praying to be Reinstated as a measurer of Grain

Respectfully Report.

That they have had the subject under consideration & are of opinion that he should have his License renewed

Although there are more measurers than can be conveniently and profitably employed yet Your Committee believe this case ought to be an exception inasmuch as it appears that at the time the persons holding Commissions from the Board were required to Report themselves within a certain time to the Clerk or otherwise be considered as no longer acting Mr Thorne had gone out of Town in consequence of the loss of a leg which has since been replaced with a substantial wooden one whereby he is enabled to attend to the duties of a measurer & as Your Committee believe would receive a full Share of business. They would therefore recommend *that* the adoption [63] of the following resolution

Resolved

That Henry W Thorne Be and he is hereby Re appointed a measurer of Grain

Respectfully Submitted

Signed B. Crane
W. Thorn
F Cooper
Ab. Valentine
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee to whom was referred the subject in relation to the allowance usually made to the Revd John Stanford for services rendered reported as follows.

The Committee on Public offices to whom was referred the subject

in relation to the allowance usually made the Rev[d] John Stanford for services rendered

Respectfully Report

That they find it has been usual to allow Three hundred dollars per annum and from a reference to [64] the Comptrollers Books the same was paid on the 19[th] of March last agreably to Report made by the Committee of Charity

Your Committee are of opinion that the same ought to be continued so long as the duties are so ably sustained and would therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be requested to Report a Warrant in favour of the Rev[d] John Stanford for $300 for his services for the past year at the next meeting of the board

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed by) B. Crane
W Thorn
Francis Cooper
Abr[m] Valentine
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Street committee on the Memorial on the subject of widening Maiden lane presented a report which was read and the consideration post poned

[65] The Committee on Assessments to whom had been referred the petition of Henry Packhard reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Henry Packhard stating that when he was abroad last spring on a voyage to New Orleans the Assessors of the 8[th] ward assessed him as being worth $6000 personal Estate a sum greatly beyond the real value of his personal property and praying relief in the premises

Report.

That on investigating this case it appears that the assessors were induced to put down the sum complained of, on representations made to them by Mrs Packhard Such being the case & the petitioner having failed in his endeavours to procure from the assessors the Certificate invariably demanded by the committee in similar Cases they are of opinion that his request ought not to be granted and respectfully offer the following Resolution

[66] Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed Chaˢ Town
Wᵐ Thorn
John Bingham
John P Anthony
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Commᵉᵉ on the petition of Burr Wakeman reported as follows

The Commᵉᵉ on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Burr Wakeman praying the remission of the Personal Tax assessed on him in the 2ⁿᵈ Ward for the year 1821. Report.

That they have had this subject under consideration and from a certificate furnished by the Assessors of the 2ⁿᵈ Ward in which they say that the Assessment made of Burr Wakeman's personal Property is incorrect and that no assessment ought to have been made *made* on him They are of opinion that the request of the Petitioner ought to be granted and for that purpose respectfully recommend the adoption of the following [67] Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 2ⁿᵈ ward be instructed to decline collecting the personal Tax assessed on Burr Wakeman at 23 Pearl St and that he return the same in the list of errors and Insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chaˢ Town
Wᵐ Thorn.
John Bingham
John. P. Anthony
Thomas. Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the petition of James Clinch reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of James Clinch praying remission of the Tax assessed on his personal property for the year 1821

Report.

That they have carefully investigated the subject and are satisfied from the representations made by the Petitioner and from the certificate given him by the assessors that there was an error made in assessing him for [68] *for* personal Tax it having been satisfactorily

proven to them that he did not possess any [such property] Your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved

that the Collector of the 1st Ward be instructed to decline collecting the personal Tax assessed on James Clinch for 1821 and that he return the amount in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
Wm Thorn
John Bingham
John P Anthony
Thomas Bolton.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Dr John. D. Jacques reported as follows.

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of John D Jaques Treasurer of the college of Physicians and surgeons praying the remission of the Tax assessed on lot No 8 Park Place it being held by the College under lease from [69] *from* Trinity church and occupied by them as their property

Report.

That they have investigated this case and they are fully convinced that the property above alluded is an appendage to the college of Physicians and Surgeons in Barclay St and that it is Occupied by the person Who has charge of the College as Keeper The Committee being of opinion that this property is by an Act for the Assessment & collection of Taxes passed 5th of April 1813 exempt from Tax respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 3d Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on lot No 8 Park place assessed as belonging to the College of Physicians and Surgeons and that he return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
William Thorn
John Bingham
John B Anthony
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[70] The same Commᵉᵉ on the petition of Wᵐ Gray reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Wᵐ Gray in which he states that his house and lot in Greenwich St. has been valued by the assessors at $3000 and praying that an order may be given to the collector of the 8th ward to deduct from that amount the sum allowed by law to those who sustain the clerical office

Report.

That they have investigated this case and are satisfied that the Assessors of the ward in valuing the property did not make the deduction allowed to clergymen by the 28th Section of the act entitled an Act for the assessment and collection of Taxes passed 5th april 1813 by which their property not exceeding in amount $1500 is exempt from taxation the committee therefore being of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 8th ward be instructed to receive from William Gray the Tax on $1500 on his House [71] and Lot Nº Greenwhich Street in lieu of $3000 and that he return the balance in the list of errors & insolvencies of the said Ward

Signed Chaˢ Town
William Thorn
John Bingham
John P Anthony
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Heny & Wᵐ Cochran for payment of Balance due them for paving Hudson St and others Streets reported as follows

The Finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of Heny & Wᵐ Cochran respectfully Report

That there is due to the memorialists for paving Varick and Canal Streets one hundred and fifty Eight Dollars fifty two cents, For paving Watts Street one hundred twenty two dollars Eighty three cents making together two hundred and eighty one dollars thirty five cents as appears by the annexed [72] computation made by the St Commissioner and which the committee believe to be correct the following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the sum of Two hundred eighty one dollars thirty five cents above mentioned be paid to the memorialists

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) J Hammond
Hen. J Wyckoff
Chas Town
Francis Cooper
B. Crane.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted & a Warrant directed to be reported accordingly

The same Committee on the petition of Daniel C Verplanck reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Danl C Verplanck respecting the water rights of the persons interested in the Slip at Crane Wharf and requesting payment from the Corporation for so much of the priviledge of receiving wharfage as the proportion of the Bulk head on the South side of South Street between the centre of the new pier and a point opposite to the western boundary of the water [73] Lot of Robert Crommeline bears to fifty feet according to the true value of the Same

Respectfully Report

That in the report of the committee on the petition of Ebeneezer Stevens and others presented to the Common Council on the 29th of October 1821 relating to the same subject it is stated that the pier or wharf in question is erected in front of private property as by law may well be and that by Law the individuals who own the private property in front of which the pier is erected are to be indemnified by taking wharfage and Slippage along the Easterly line and along one half of the head or outer end of the pier in exact proportion to the front which they had to the water respectively at the time of erecting the said pier with the other individuals owning fronts interested in the said Slip at the time of building the pier and the Committee do not percieve any reason to depart from the principle of that report the following resolution is therefore recommended

Resolved that the individual [74] proprietors of the private property in front of which the said pier is erected including that which lies to the westward of the middle of the said pier as far as the westerly line of the water grant heretofore made by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York to Robert Crommeline

as well as that which lies to the Eastern side of the centre of the said pier being interested and entitled to wharfage in that Slip are to be indemnified for the loss of Bulkhead on the Southerly side of South Street occasioned by the sinking and building of the said pier by taking wharfage and Slippage along the whole length of the Easterly line of the said pier and on the head or outer end of the same in proportion to the Loss of Bulkhead which they have sustained by the building of the said pier and in proportion withe the other persons interested therein

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) J Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
B Crane
Francis Cooper
Chas. Town.

[75] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred the communication ofrom the Mayor of Albany on the subject of the Expences of Surveying the Post road between the cities of New York and Albany reported as follows

The Finance committee to whom was referred the communication from H W Snyder chamberlain of the city of Albany enclosing a Resolution by which it was resolved that His Honor the Mayor together with the members of the Commᵉᵉ negotiate with the Honˡ Corporation of the city of New York on the propriety of a participation by them in the expense incurred by that board in procuring a survey between the city of Albany and the city of New York with a view to the reduction of the rates of postage and which in consequence has been affected Passed at Albany Janʸ 22ⁿᵈ 1821 under which resolution the corporation of the City of Albany seek to obtain from the Corporation of the City of New York [76] The one equal half part of $243.75 which they say is the expense of the survey between the two cities It is the opinion of your Committee that the city of New York is as much benefitted by the reduction of the Rates of Postage as the city of Albany and as the Sum is a very small one and the corporation of the city of Albany have thought it of sufficient importance to seek for a contribution The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the sum of One hundred twenty one dollars eighty

seven cents be paid to the Hon the corporation of the city of Albany towards the expenses of the late survey of the roads between the two cities

J Hammond.
Henry J Wyckoff
(Signed) B Crane
F Cooper.
C. Town

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[77] The same committee on the petition of Richard L Walker reported as follows

The Finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of Doctor Richard L Walker praying compensation for attending the watch houses in case of casualty or sickness there

Respectfully Report. that it appears to them that at the time doctor Walker was appointed by the Common Council the Watch houses were attended *w*by the Physicians of the Alms House. But since the removal of that institution to Bellvieu that duty has been performed by Doctor Walker and for which no compensation has hitherto been allowed the following resolution is recommended Resolved that Doctor Richard L Walker be allowed fifty dollars a year to begin on the first day of February 1822 for attending the Watch houses in the city of New York as a Physician and Surgeon

J Hammond
H J Wyckoff
Signed B Crane
Francis Cooper
Cha^{s} Town

[78] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the petition of W^{m} S. Smith reported as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of W^{m} S Smith setting forth that since the opening of Fulton market the duties of his office have very much increased and praying to be allowed an addition to his Salary

Respectfully Report.

That the alledged increase of labour is true and in their opinion an increase in the compensation in this particular instance is reasonable The comm^{ee} do not however admit that an increase in the duties

of an office is always a good reason for increasing the compensation because many times the compensation is regulated by the time and talent employed and not by the quantity of labour inasmuch as it often happens that a man is required to devote his whole time to an office though perhaps a considerable part of his time is spent in waiting for the business of the office The following resolution is *[78] recommended

Resolved that the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars be added to the Salary of W^m Smith

Signed J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
B. Crane
F. Cooper
Cha^s Town

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the petition of Stuart Elder reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Stewart Elder for leave to transfer the Cellar N° 9 in the Fulton market to Richard Merian· Respectfully Report

That they do not perceive any objection to the Said Stewart Elder's assigning his interest in the term of Years granted to him therein provided the Said Stewart remains liable for the rent under the covenants entered into by him in respect to the Said Cellar

[79] The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the said Stuart Elder be permitted to assign his interest in the terms of Years in Cellar number nine under the Fulton market to Richard Merian provided and upon the condition that the said Stewart enters into a covenant for the faithful payment of the rents and performance of the covenants by the Said Rich^d Merian and his assigns contained in the original lease on the part of the said Stewart Elder to be performed and done And Provided also that the said Richard Merian enters into covenants to and with the Mayor aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York for the rents reserved and for the performance of all the covenants contained in the original lease of the said cellar on the part of and behalf of the said Stewart Elder to be performed and kept and provided also that the said Stewart Elder remains liable to all those covenants on his part

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to be performed contained in the said Lease to him and so as that the said covenants shall not be construed or taken to be satisfied or discharged without their actual performance.

(Signed) J Hammond
H J. Wyckoff.
B. Crane.
C. Town.
F Cooper

which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[80] The Same Committee on the petition of Benjamin Smith reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom the within memorial was referred directed that the Lessee might transfer his interest in the premises at Brooklyn to the within named Hermanus H Barkelow upon condition that the said memorialist Should enter into covenants with the Common Council that the assig[n]ee and his assigns Shall weell and faithfully fulfill perform and keep all the covenants contained in the said Lease on the part of the Lessee and on the further condition that the said assignee likewise enter into covenants for himself and his assigns with the Common Council that he and they shall and will well and faithfully perform fulfill and keep all the covenants contained in the said original lease on the part of the Lessee to be done &c All covenants and agreements to be first performed up to the time of the assignment & on the same terms provided in the resolution on the memorial of Stewart Elder

[81] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same committee to whom was referred the returns of the Collector of the Arrears of Taxes of Delinquents on taxes on real Estate for the Year 1820 reported as follows

The Finance committee to whom was referred the final return of Delinquents on taxes on real estate in the City of New York for the Year 1820

Respectfully Report.

that it has been usual in such Cases to direct the sale of the premises on which the unpaid taxes are due The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the lands and premises in the annexed return men-

tioned as delinquents be advertised and sold for the said taxes so in arrear as by law directed and required

Respectfully submitted

J Hammond
Hen J Wyckoff
B Crane
Francis Cooper
Chas Town

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[82] The Police committee to whom was referred the Petition of Ann Mayo on behalf of her husband Samuel Mayo to be relieved from a penalty incurred under the law regulating Pawn Brokers reported as follows

The Police committee to whom the Petition of Mrs Ann Mayo one of the licensed Pawn Brokers was referred

Respectfully Report.

That Mrs Mayo states in her Petition among other things that she has received notice from the attorney of this Board of having subjected herself to very heavy penalties for violating the ordinance of this Board entitled a Law to regulate Pawnbrokers and dealers in the Purchase and sale of Second hand furniture metals and clothes.

This case having excited the public feeling very considerably and being of extreme importance to the accused has claimed and received from the Committee that attention which it obviously demanded

On enquiring into this subject the Committee have been well [83] satisfied that the numerous reports in relation to the Petitioners were greatly exagerated and almost wholly without foundation. The only point in which the petitioner appears to have failed in her duty was in not providing herself with and keeping such Books or Registers as are required by the 5th and 10th Sections of said ordinance In every other respect the Petitioner appears to have acted with great prudence and correctness. Every article in her possession or the enclosure which contained them had its proper mark designating by whom the article had been left and the amount for which it had been pawned & the uniform good conduct of Mrs Mayo and the high testimony in her favour voluntarily given before the committee by a considerable number of Citizens well known to the members of this Board. has satisfied them that Mrs Mayo has violated the law in the present instance thr'o ignorance and not designedly Under these cir-

cumstances and inasmuch as the Petitioner has now provided herself with the Books required [84] by said ordinance and in other respects has and still does conduct her business with great propriety your Committee feel no hesitation in recommending a remission of the penalty incurred by her They beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted on payment of costs

Signed Thomas Bolton
M Gelston
George B Thorp
Shivers Parker
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

Resolved that the Culverts & Wells of the Canal St. Sewer be repaired under the direction of the St[t] Commissioner

The following resolution was presented

Resolved that the St. Commissioner be instructed to cause the Sewer at the Fly market to be arched and the Street to be regulated and paved

[85] Which was adopted and an Ordinance was presented and passed accordingly

The St Commissioner agreeably to the last mentioned resolution presented an ordinance for arching the Sewer in Fly market Street and for regulating and paving said Street from Pearl St to the bulk head which was passed & John Targee Benj[n] Prince and John Brower were appointed Assessors therein

The Street Commissioner also agreably to the report of the Canal Committee reported an Ordinance for regulating and paving part of the 6[th] Avenue at the head of the Minetto Sewer which was passed and Peter H Wendover John Salisbury and Isaac Kip were appointed assessors

Ald[n] Mann agreably to notice called up the Law respecting keeping in repair the Public Cartways which after some consideration thereon and some amendments proposed was postponed untill the next meeting of the board and the amendments proposed were directed to be printed for the use of the members A motion was then made for adjournment but was [86] postponed to consider the following resolution

Resolved that it be referred to the Canal Committee to enquire and report the future manner of paying the expences of repairing the Culverts in the several canals and Sewers in this City Which Resolution was adopted

The motion for adjournment was then renewed & carried and the Board adjourned to this day fortnight

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 4th inst.....	$206.58	
Received for Tax of 1821 2nd & 3d Wards.....	4000.	
" Streets	826.	5032.58

14 Accts Audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st Distt.....	1002.75	
Hibberd & Clark do 2 "	645.75	
Bleakly and Brower do 3d "	435.75	
S. Allen. Mayor 1 Qr Salary 12 inst.....	750.	
O. Edwards Counsellor 1 Qr 27 Feb.....	100.	
J. Bremner. Clerk of Cath market 1 mo.....	33.75	
R Riker Esqr for Expenses Celebration 4th march.....	402.45	
J. P. Roome Supt Repairs do	211.	
B Skaats Keeper City Hall do	131.83	
[87] J Hays for Peace Officers do do	36.	
Editor of American 6 mo Subscrn 26 Feb.....	50.	
Mercantile Advertiser 6 mo do 1 Jany.....	50.	
J Halstead acct. making Blinds Fulton markt.....	400.	
Jacob P Roome Supt Repairs for Fire Departmt.....	750.	4999.28
Balance.....		$33.30

*[87] Special Meeting

In Common Council March 26th 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Maltby Gelston	Abraham Valentine
John P Anthony	Wm H Ireland
John Bingham	Chas Town
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Henry Mead

His Honor the Mayor stated that he had called this meeting at the request of the Committee on Applications to the Legislature who wished to submit to the consideration of the Board certain Laws which they deemed it proper to request of the Legislature to pass

[88] A Memorial to the Legislature was accordingly presented with a corresponding bill to be enacted into a law entitled an Act in

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addition to the Act for the more effectual prevention of fires in the City of New York which was approved and the Same directed to be duly authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature

A Memorial was also presented with a corresponding Bill entitled an Act to provide for the expence of erecting the Fulton market in the Said City which was approved and also directed to be duly authenticated

A Memorial was also presented with a corresponding Bill entitled an Act altering the time of electing Charter officers in the City of New York the same being read was in the words following

Be it enacted By the People of the State of New York represented in Senate and Assembly That the Charter officers to be chosen in and for the City of New York at the next election excepting the Collectors shall not hold their offices longer than untill the last monday [89] of December next

And be it further enacted that the election for charter officers to be chosen in and for the said city after the next election shall commence on the same day in every year with the elections for members of Assembly of this state and shall be notified held and conducted by the same inspectors in the same manner with the like power and during the same number of days

And be it further enacted That the charter officers to be chosen in and for the said city at the elections to be held after the next election (excepting the Collectors) shall be sworn into office and commence the duties of their offices on the last monday of December in each Year and shall continue in their offices from their being so sworn untill other fit persons be elected and sworn in their places.

And be it further enacted that the Act entitled an Act altering the time of electing charter officers in the City [90] of New York shall have the same application force and effect with respect to the next election for the said charter officers which it would have had provided the members of the Assembly of this State were then to be elected Provided nevertheless and be it further enacted that it Shall be lawful for the said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty to appoint the inspectors of the said election at any time previous to the 28th day of April inst. and for the said inspectors to give notice of the time and places of holding the said election at any time prior to that day

And be it further enacted. That the collectors of the respective wards of the said city Shall be elected to serve in their respective offices for one year from the second monday of May next after such Election.

And be it further enacted that every person qualified by the charter of the said city to vote for charter officers and every person qualified to vote in any of the wards of the said city for members of Assembly of this State by the constitution of the state of New York as amended shall be authorised [91] to vote for such charter officers in the ward where he actually resides and not elsewhere And further That no such person shall be authorised to vote at any such election

Alderman Mann moved that the four first clauses of the Bill be stricken out the question being taken thereon it passed in the negative A division having been called by Ald. Mann the members voted as follows

Ayes Ald. Wyckoff. Gelston. Bingham. McQueen. Thorp. Hammond. Messrs Bolton. Town. Mead. 9.

Noes. Ald. Anthony Mann Messrs Valentine Ireland Parker Thorn Cooper. 7

It was then moved that the memorial and Bill be authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature The question being taken thereon the Board being equally divided His Honor the Mayor gave the casting vote in the Affirmative Ald. Mann then gave notice that he would move for a reconsideration of the question at the next meeting of the Board

[92] A Letter was received from Adolph De Grove Collector of the 4th ward stating that in consequence of ill Health not being able to attend to the duties of the office he begged leave to resign the same which was referred to the Finance committee

A letter from the Honble Cadwallader D Colden Representative in Congress addressed to the Mayor was laid before the Board which Stated that Col. Bomford Chief of the Ordnance Department of the U. States had some time since made a representation that the Arsenal owned by the United States was inconveniently situated & that the Government was desirous of exchanging the same for a situation in or near the city on the N. River Whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Public Lands & Places

Ald Wyckoff from the Battery committee presented the following report

The committee to whom was referred the improvements at the Battery beg leave to report that since their appointment they have contracted for Two thousand Tons [93] of Stone (nearly all of which has been delivered) this with a quantity received from Bellevue they conceive will be sufficient to protect the grounds from further waste. As the season has now arrived in which the intended improvements

ought to commence your committee have given the subject their particular attention and from the best information they have been able to obtain they are of opinion that the cost of Stone will not exceed that of earth they therefore recommend to the board to authorise the Street Commissioner with the advice of your Committee to make contracts from time to time as they may judge best for a sufficient quantity of Stone to raise the whole space within the contemplated Wall to high water mark above which with Earth to the present level of the Battery and also to contract for building the wall—Your committee are somewhat at a loss as to the best mode of commencing the work so as to have it done in the most œconomical way, they therefore propose first to contract for building [94] the wall and filling in the North End from which they hope to obtain such information as will enable them to have the whole work compleated at the lowest possible rate

In conformity to the above report the following Resolution is offered for the consideration of the Board

Resolved that the Street commissioner with the advice of the Battery committee be authorised to contract from time to time for such parts of the contemplated work & improvements at the Battery as they may judge most conducive to the interest of the Public

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Maltby Gelston
Wm H Ireland
John. P. Anthony

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[95] In Common Council April 1st 1822

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Maltby Gelston	Ab. Valentine
John P Anthony	Benjn Crane
John Bingham	Chas Town
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Isaac Emmons	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Gerard DePeyster
	Henry Mead

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Special meeting were read and approved

A petition of A Pentz for relief from an Assessment laid on his property for the expence of the drain in Batavia Street was referred to the committee on Assessments

[96] A petition from Benjamin Lord requesting that the Pump standing in the Side walk of Broadway near Canal Street may be removed was referred to the St Committee

A Petition of W^m^ Agnew John Agnew & Samuel L Mitchell owners of Pier N^o^ 27 on the East River praying permission to extend the same to the permanent line on the East River was referred to the Com^ee^ on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of John Van Wart was received stating that some time since while in the employ of the Corporation he lost a leg by the falling in of a Bank of Earth which has disabled him from labor & praying the appointment of Keeper of Potters field was ref^d^ to the Com^ee^ on Applications.

A petition of Isaac A Isaacs for the appointment *o*to the office of Collector of Arrea[ra]ges of taxes was read & referred to the committee on Applications.

[97] A Petition [of] Thomas Brown to be app^d^ a Measurer of Grain was referred to the committee on Applications.

A Petition that Clark St. may be paved from Broome to Spring St was read and referred to the Street committee

A Petition that Green Street may be regulated and paved from Spring to Canal St was referred to the same Committee

A Petition of John Harriot—Lessee of Stall N^o^ 51 Fulton Market praying a reduction of the rent reserved on the Stall was read and referred to the Finance committee

A petition of John Fisher who has resided in the city seven years and has entered into & done duty with the Corps of Artillery tho he has not yet been able to prove his naturalization and praying that he be licensed as a cartman was read and was referred [98] to his *His* Honor the Mayor with a recommendation that he would grant the petitioner a license as a cartman.

A petition of W^m^ Brown for relief from fine incurred by incumbring the side walks was referred to the Police committee with authority to remit.

A Petition of George Janeway requesting the Corporation would take measures to ascertain the Boundary line between the property of the Petitioner and that of the Corporation on the lot formerly the Powder house lot Magazine St. now Pearl St. was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Isaac Barber for relief from an Assessment on him in 206 Greenwich St. his residence being N° 53 Robinson St was referred to the com^ee on Assessments

A Petition of W^m Niblo Keeper of the Bank Coffee house for relief from fine incurred by having a Billiard table in his house, the same having been kept by him without [98-A] any emolument to himself nor for the purposes of Gambling but for the amusement & recreation of his numerous lodgers which was read and referred to the Police committee.

A Petition of N Gray for relief from fine for having weights in his possession not sealed by the City Sealer was referred to the Police Committee

A Memorial was received from Sundry Butchers in the Centre Market remonstrating against the disposal of the Stalls in said Market at Auction was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Peter Wilt Lessee of Stall N° 66 Fulton market praying a reduction of the rent laid on said Stall was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition from the licensed Cartmen of the City praying a law may be passed for the better regulation of the Cartmen appointing a person who shall be the [99] Superintendant of the Cartmen to be compensated by an annual contribution from each Cartmen of 4/. was read and referred to the Comm^ee on Public offices

A Letter from Benjamin Birdsall Contractor for the railing around the Park stating that the work had been principally done by himself and thanking the Corporation for the promptness with which the payments were made to him was read and ordered to be filed

A petition of Benj^a Birdsall praying return of money paid by him for permission to construct a vault the ground for which has not been used by him as was intended was read and referred to the St commissioner with authority to return the same to him

A petition of Henry V^an Horn Cartman for relief from fine incurred by bringing a cask of Water on Sunday morning to the City Hotel was referred to the Police committee

[100] A Petition of John Mather for relief from fine incurred as alledged by not having Weights sealed by City Sealer; he alledging they were borrowed and used for weights to press down Machinery used in his business as a copper Smith & not to weigh articles—was referred to the Police committee

A Petition of the Butchers of the Fulton Market remonstrating

against the Erection of, at the present time of a Market at the Old Slip was read and referred to the Market committee

A petition of Dan^{l} Burtnall Lessee of Stall N^{o} 6 Fulton Market praying a reduction of the rent reserved on the same was referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

An Application *o*from the Trustees of the Society called united Christian Friends for the use of the upper room of the Engine House corner of Hudson & Cristopher St was referred to the Finance Committee

[101] A petition of Francis Gariel complaining of the House N^{o} 179 Bowery as in a ruinous state and dangerous to the Inhabitants of the City was referred to the St. Commissioner

A Remonstrance from sundry Inhabitants against the Petition for the removal of a public well & Pump corner of Essex & Grand Street was read and referred to the Ald & Assist of the ward & St. Commissioner

A petition of Nicholas Conklyn for an appointment to the office of Inspector of Firewood was referred to the Com^{ee} on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A petition from the Inhabitants of Greenwich Village complaining of the number of swine which since the late law restricting their being in the Streets to the outer wards infest the Village & praying a law may be passed compelling the owners to put rings in their noses was referred to the Police Committee

[102] A petition of John Westervelt praying relief on a complaint made against him under the law respecting Hackney Coaches was referred to the Police committee

A Petition of W^{m} Hart for relief from fine incurred under Sunday Law was referred to the Police committee

A petition from Sundry Proprietors of Ground in Skinner St. praying said Street may be extended from Franklin to Ferry Street of the width of 40 feet was referred to the St Committee

A petition from the members of Fire Engine Company N^{o} 13 stating that it appears from an investigation of the Engineer that some have been received into the Company who are not yet of the age of 21 years and praying that as their dismissal would be injurious to the company that they may be permitted to remain in the company were read and referred to the Com^{ee} on the Fire Department.

[103] A Petition of the owners and masters of the Rhode Island Packets was received Stating that formerly they resorted to Crane Wharf—but that place being appropriated to the Fulton Market. they

can no longer be accommodated there and praying that Fly Market Slip may be appropriated to that purpose was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition of Thomas Hodgkinson was received stating that not being acquainted with the Law on the subject. He had lately planted a few Trees in Nassau Street in front of his house & praying if the same is a transgression that he may be forgiven & if at all allowable that. the Trees may be permitted to remain. Which was referred to the St Committee.

A Petition of Smith Bloomfield praying payment of a contract due him for making the Sewer in Chapple Street was referred to the Finance Committee

[104] A further Petition of the lamp lighters for encrease of their pay was presented and read and some of the expressions therein being deemed indecorous it was resolved that the Petitioners have leave to withdraw their Petition

A Petition of peter Flandin for leave to construct a vault in Murray St was referred to the Ald. & Assistant of the ward and St Commr to grant on the usual terms

A Petition of E & A Wilson for permission to transfer one half of their interest in the block of Ground on the North River between King & Charlton Street to Messrs Centre and Davis of Albany was read—Ald. Hammond then presented the following resolution Resolved that Ebenezer Wilson one of the Lessees of the block of Ground on the North River between King and Charlton Streets be permitted to transfer his interest in the term of years which he hath therein to Nathaniel Davis [105] and Asa H Center on the usual terms namely that the said Nathaniel Davis and Asa H Center enter into covenants to be drawn by the Counsel of the board to and with the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York for the true and faithful performance of the covenants on the part of and behalf of the said Ebenezer Wilson to be performed in the original Lease contained in relation to the said premises

Which was adopted.

A Letter was received from Roger Strong Esqr resigning his appointment as one of the Commissioners of the School fund whereupon his resignation was accepted

A petition of James Russell for relief from fine for incumbering the Side walks was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition from George L Messerve holding Stall No 28 Fulton

Market praying the Rent reserved on his lease may be reduced was referred to the Finance Committee

[106] A Report was received from the trustees of the city dispensary of the persons who in the year ending the 26th of March last had been Vaccinated by the Physicians of that Institution the number of Persons agreably to said report was Thirteen hundred and thirty one Whereupon the same was referred to the Finance committee

His Honor the Mayor stated that he had received from the Secretary of State the following laws affecting the city which had been passed at the present Session of the Legislature

1 An Act for the better government of the Alms House

2 An Act relative to Intelligence offices in the city of New York

3 An Act authorising the erection of Public Markets in front of Public wharves in the City of New York

4 An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of N York to raise money by Tax the first of which was referred to the commissioners of the Alms House the second to the Police [107] committee—the third to the Market comm^{ee} and the Fourth to the Comptroller

The following persons were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies

Hook & Ladder Company.

N^{o} 1.

Daniel Ayres Merchant N^{o} 94 John St
vice Nath^{l} P Watson Resigned

Fire Engine Company

N^{o} 18

Moses B Quinby Merchant N^{o} 363 Pearl St
vice Stephen Lister Resigned

W^{m} Cromwell Merchant 394 Pearl St
vice Dana Comstock app^{d} F. Warden

N^{o} 21.

John Whaley Mechanic 46 Ferry St
vice John K Goodman removed

N^{o} 22

Marmaduke Jamison Shoemaker 348 Water St
vice John Green Resigned

N° 37

David Delancey Shoemaker 81 Mulberry
vice Elisha Minerly Resigned

[108] N° 40

Cyrus Baldwin Painter & Gilder 193 Mulberry
vice Ernest Keyser Resigned

The St Commissioner made a return of delinquents on the following Assessments and warrants were directed to issue to the Collectors to collect the same

For working a road on 28th Street
Regulating and paving Goerck St
Regulating Eldridge Street
Well and Pump in Pitt Street and one in Mott Streets.

He also presented an Assessment for opening White Street confirmed by the Supreme Court which was confirmed and N Jarvis appointed Collector

He also represented that agreably to a resolution of the Board he had advertised for the Regulating of Henry St. and that but one estimate had been offered which he submitted Whereupon the same was referred to the Street Committee

[109] He also presented an ordinance for Regulating and Paving Essex St from Broome to Delancy St. which was passed and Peter H Wendover James Bleecker & John Bedient were appointed Assessors.

The Counsel presented for execution a Lease to Isaac Valentine for the Hay Scales at Governeurs Slip for three years from the 1st of May next which was directed to be duly executed.

The Comptroller and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Margaret Romaine reported as follows

The Comptroller and St Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Margaret Romaine praying that a balance due to her on an Award made to unknown owners for property taken to open First St may be paid

Report that the facts set forth in the petition of the said Margaret Romaine are correct and true and that there is due the sum of one hundred and sixty three dollars and fifty seven cents to the said Petitioner

[110] They therefore respectfully recommend that a warrant be reported at the next meeting of the Board for the Amount.

Signed G N Bleecker Compr
R Graves. St. Comr

Which was approved and a warrant directed to be passed agreably thereto.

The City Inspector presented the following Ordinances for corrections of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances

Nº	1	N. J. Gasperque	occupant	139	Fulton St	A Privy
	2	W[idow] H[annah] Towers	"	29	Cherry	"
	3	Mrs Burridge	"	32	"	"
	4	E Clifton	"	1	Oak	"
	5	A Carpenter	"	5	"	"
	6	E Burr	"	9	"	"
	7	T Dubos	"	15	"	"
	8	C Alexander	"	5	Dover St	"
	9	J Courtney	"	6	" "	"
	10	Wm S Coates	"	32	" "	"
	11	N Compstock	"	242	Front	"
	12	Byrnes Trimble & co	"	250	"	"
	13	[111] C Hunter	"	251	"	"
	14	M McDonald	"	253	"	"
	15	R Hall	"	257	"	"
	16	J M Bradhurst	"	314	Pearl Street	"
	17	J Chadeyne	"	316	"	"
	18	S White	"	356	"	"
	19	S Dunbar	"	358	"	"
	20	J Sacket	"	378	"	"
	21	R Field	"	416	"	"
	22	S Arden	"	438	"	"
	23	S Wilson	"	439	"	"
	24	J Aspinwall	"	4	Banker	"
	25	A Bogert	"	5	"	"
	26	D Lit	"	9	"	"
	27	E Tullas	"	8	Chesnut	"
	28	J Ming	"	10	"	"
	29	G Rodney	"	11	"	"
	30	Wm H Izod	"	13	"	"
	31	Robert Brown	"	15	"	"
	32	P Pleslin	"	15	Roosevelt	"
	33	J Chapman	"	21	"	"
	34	R Cannon	"	35	"	"
	35	J Enquest	"	41	"	"
	36	T Murphy	"	47	"	"
	37	A K Colwell	"	51	"	"
	38	J Mercein	"	61	"	"
	39	E Mott	"	63	"	"
	40	[112] J Brown	"	63	"	"
	41	E Corby	"	67	"	"

42	D Van Norden	occupant	83	Roosevelt	A Privy
43	G Collins	"	85	"	"
44	J Bartlett	"	275	Water	"
45	J Post	Owner	276	"	"
46	Wm Jackson	Occupant	277	"	"
47	Wm Simpson	"	281	"	"
48	D Adams	"	282	"	"
49	Saml T King	"	284	"	"
50	G C Hamilton	"	286	"	"
51	A L De Grove	"	298	"	"
52	J Weaver	"	300	"	"
53	J Robinson	"	304	"	"
54	T Norris	"	306	"	"
55	M Gilmore	"	308	"	"
56	D Fish	"	309	"	"
57	J Byrne	"	316	"	"
58	F Foulke	"	155	South	"
59	Byrnes Trimble & Co	"	159	"	"
60	J Gray	"	27	Peck Slip	"
61	N Sayre	"	29	"	"
62	J Hunn	"	3	Jacob	"
63	H Ackerman	"	4	"	"
64	J M Bloodgood	"	6	"	"
65	C Miller	"	13	"	"
66	J Dennis	"	123	Anthony	"
67	M Sickles	"		Nassau & Beeckman	"
68	[113] T Saunders	"	168	Duane St	"
69	J Ball	Owner	203	Spring "	"
70	J J Astor	"	205	"	"
71	F De Clew	Occupant	211	"	"
72	F Smith	"		Grant St	"
73	Mrs Smith	"	63	Warren	"
74	M Goldsborough	"	43	Spruce	"
75	C Heyel	"	69	Chapel	"
76	C Brown	"	39½	Frankfort	"
77	M LeGrave	"	190	William	"
78	J Hunn	"	1	Ferry	"
79	A Higgins	"	3	Do	"
80	R Winchope	"	96	Gold	"
81	T Brown	"	104	Do	"
82	J Morrison	"	397	Pearl	"
83	R Smith	"	228	Do	"
84	Hen. Rankin	"	29	Oliver	"
85	Rd Jennings	Agent	3	Dover	"
86	Peter G Stuyvesant	"	139 & 137	Chry[s]tie	"

Signed Geo. Cumming
City Inspector

[114] The Market Committee ton the petition of Isaac Fairchild Reported as follows.

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Fairchild praying that the Corporation will furnish the apartment occupied by him in the upper part of Fulton Market with a cooking stove and fixtures

Report

That at the time the petitioner hired the Room he well knew there was no fire place in it and therefore your Committee cannot perceive the propriety of granting the prayer of the petitioner the subjoined resolution is offered for the consideration of the Board

Resolved

That it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

(Signed) H J Wyckoff
Chaˢ Town
M Gelston.
Isaac Emmons

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[115] The Same Committee on the Petition of the Hucksters in Fulton Market to be permitted to sell Eggs reported a Resolution that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted which was adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of the Lessees of the cellars under Fulton Market to be supplied with Manhattan water reported as follows

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of the Lessees of the Cellars under Fulton market praying the Corporation to cause the Manhattan Water to be conducted into their respective apartments

Report

that they can perceive no good reason why the prayer of the Petitioners should be granted inasmuch as no stipulation or agreement to that effect was made at the time the premises were Let and the Lessees must have known the inconveniences they would be subject to when they hired the apartments Your Committee therefore [offer] the following resolution to be adopted

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) H J Wyckoff
Chaˢ Town
M Gelston
Isaac Emmons.

[116] Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of the Lessees of The Cellars under Fulton Market to be permitted to erect Awnings reported a Resolution that the Prayer of the Petitioners be granted under the direction of the Superintendant of Repairs which was adopted

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the petition of Abel W Hardenbrook to be relieved from an Assessment on his property for a Sewer in Thompson Street reported as follows.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the petition of Abel W Hardenbrook to be relieved from an Assessment on his property for a Sewer in Thompson Street

Report

That in their opinion there is no cause of Complaint Sufficient to induce your Committee to recommend a revisal of the Assessment and therefore respectfully recommend the following resolutions

Resolved that it is inexpedient [117] to grant the prayer of the Petitioner

Resolved

that the Assessment for Thompson Street Sewer be confirmed

Signed George B Thorp
Gerard De Peyster
Francis Cooper
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted the Assessment for the Sewer on Thompson St was also confirmed and John. G. Betts was appointed Collector.

The committee on Applications on the Petition of Charles Thorn for the appointment of Measurer of Grain reported a resolution that he be appointed one of the measurers of Grain of this City which was adopted and he was appointed accordingly.

The St. Committee to whom had been referred ordinances of the City Inspector respecting certain lots on Canal Street belonging to the estate of George Warner deceased reported a resolution that the City Inspector carry the same into effect which was adopted [118] and the Ordinance passed

The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the Petition of Henry Eckford for permission to build out his Pier at the foot of Stanton Street and to build a bulkhead in front of his Ship Yard reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of Henry Eckford for permission to extend his

Pier at the foot of Stanton Street and to build a Bulkhead in front of his Ship Yard

Respectfully Report

That Your Committee are convinced of the propriety of your petitioners request and for the reasons therein set forth that the shoaling of the water in that Part of the East River greatly incommodes the launching of Ships Your Committee would further State that they have had a conference with Noah Brown who for himself and as representative for the estate of Adam Brown deceased is willing and [119] desirous of availing himself of the advantage of uniting with Mr Eckford in Building the Bulkhead in front of their respective properties at the same time

While deliberating on the subject the attention of your Committee was directed to the map of that part of the City lying above Corlears Hook by which they readily perceived that if the Plan there laid down is carried into execution the Streets will be as irregular and present as distorted an appearance as any of the lower wards of the City East Street commencing at the extreme point of Corlaers Hook and as it would seem intended for the most easterly line of improvement intersects Mangin Street near Delancy street diagonally leaving a large portion of the River to be improved and occupied by Piers and Slips where the water is so Shallow that at present Vessels of Sixty tons ground at low water and which is continually Shoaling: from the foregoing considerations your Committee have prepared a map corresponding with their views and which accompanies this Report Anticipating the adoption [120] of the proposed plan your Committee suggested to Mr Eckford and Mr Brown the propriety of making their improvements to correspond therewith to which they readily agreed.

In order therefore that the views of your committee may be carried into effect they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions

Resolved that a Street of the width of Sixty feet be laid out at the distance of 200 feet from and paralel to Mangin Street and extending from Grand Street to the Market place which Street shall be known and distinguished by the name of " Tompkins Street

Resolved that a Street be laid out of the width of Seventy feet at the distance of Two hundred feet from the Street called Tompkins Street and paralel thereto which Street Shall be called East Street.

Resolved that Henry Eckford be permitted to build a Bulkhead in front of his property between [121] Stanton and North Streets at the distance of 235 feet from Mangin Street and also that he extend a

Pier to the distance of 185 feet from the Present Pier on the Northerly side of Stanton Street.

Resolved that Noah Brown be permitted to build a Bulkhead in front of his property on the northerly Side of North Street at the distance of 235 feet from Mangin Street

Resolved that the Representatives to the Estate of Adam Brown deceased be permitted to build a Bulkhead in front of their property lying Southerly of North Street and adjoining thereto to the distance of 235 feet from Mangin Street

Resolved that Grants be made respectively to Henry Eckford Noah Brown, and the Representatives of the Estate of Adam Brown deceased of the water and ground under water in the East River in front of their property at the usual rates and conditions

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
M. Gelston
J Hammond

Which was approved and the several [122] resolutions proposed by them were adopted

The Watch committee to [whom] was referred the Petition of Gershom Mills reported as follows.

The Watch committee to whom was referred the petition of Gershom Mills praying to be reinstated as a watchman. Report

that they have had the subject under consideration and find that he was discharged from the watch for inability not being able to perform the duties of a Watchman Your commᵉᵉ are of opinion that the City Watch ought to be composed of able bodied men they therefore recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) Asa Mann
John Bingham
Chaˢ Town
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[123] The Finance committee to whom was referred the resolution of Ald. Emmons directing the counsel to prepare a memorial to the Legislature for an Act for the taxing of all Bank & insurance Stock in the city reported as follows:

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the resolution of Alderman Emmons to instruct the Counsel to draft a memorial of the

Legislature for an act directing the assessors in the city and county of New York to assess in the lists of personal stock of all banks and insurance company's in the several wards of the city

Respectfully Report,

That the subject is of general and not merely local importance as it must be presumed that much of the stocks of these institution is owned by persons residing in the country Its taxation is therefore a matter of general interest and it would *it would* be unjust and inequitable to tax the banks of the city of New York unless those of the country were also taxed

The following resolution is recommended

[124] Resolved

That the Proposed Resolution is inexpedient

(Signed) J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Charles Town
Francis Cooper
B Crane

The question being taken on agreeing to the report of the committee it was carried in the affirmative

the Ayes & Noes being called by Ald. Emmons were as follows.

Ayes Mr Recorder Ald. Wyckoff Gelston McQueen Mann. Thorp Hammond Messrs Bolton Valentine Ireland Crane Town Parker Thorn Cooper Mead 16

Noes Ald. Anthony Bingham Emmons Mr DePeyster 4

The same committee on the communication of the Comptroller made the following report

The Finance committee to whom was referred [125] the communication of the Comptroller on the subject of executing contracts

Respectfully Report

that they do not perceive any objection to the course he recommends The following resolution is submitted

Resolved that it be referred to the Counsel to prepare an ordinance in conformity with the recommendation of the Comptroller contained in the foregoing communication

(Signed) J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Cha[s] Town
Francis Cooper
B Crane

Which was approved and the resolution adopted "The Communication of the Comptroller was as follows.

The great delay attendant on the execution of Grants Leases and Deeds by individuals concerned is the cause of much inconvenience in the Comptrollers Department

To remedy this it is respectfully recommend[d] that an Order be made that all instruments above mentioned should be signed and the terms complied with by the parties [126] interested within ten days after being notified for the purpose, or in default that the same be vacated at the pleasure of the Common Council

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) G. N. Bleecker.

The same Committee on the petition of Edward McLaughlin reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Edward M[c]Laughin late Commissioner of Excise respectfully

Report,

that from all the circumstances of this case they do not doubt but that the memorialist at the time he incurred the expenditure charged in his account for Clerk hire had a reasonable expectation from the course which the business of his office had taken that the amount disbursed by him for Clerk hire would be reimbursed It must however be admitted that the law does not make any provision for the payment of Clerks in that Department and probably it was not contemplated or expected by the Legislature that any [127] Clerk was necessary or would be employed by the Excise Commissioner It also seems to be to the committee that the Legislature did not suppose that the whole time of the Comm[r] would be engrossed by the Duties of his office if they had they would undoubtedly have allowed him a larger Salary But the Committee have now reason to believe that the Memorialist devoted the whole or nearly the whole of his time during the last year which he held that office to the discharge of his duties and inasmuch as greater labours have been sustained by the memorialist in the performance of his official duties than was expected it is perhaps not unreasonable that his extraordinary expenses should be reimbursed

The memorialist in his memorial now before the Board suggested that his first application was not made to the board with any expectation that they would pass upon his account as auditors And that he being a State officer the Board could not take any cognizance of his

official transactions and adds that the Chamberlain is the only accounting officer designated by Law. To this the Committee answer that the [128] *that the* items charged by the memorialist in the first application to the board. and which was referred to the committee were previously rejected by the Chamberlain because there was not any law for their allowance: and that the application was made to the board to allow them because the Chamberlain would not. There was not therefore any legal auditor for these items Consequently the committee had cognisance of them and they found several of the charges to be without precedent as well as without law. and one of the Charges which had precedence in its favour namely fifteen dollars for counterfeit money was not vouched in the usual manner: but inasmuch as the memorialist had actually expended the several Items charged in his account for the public benefit the committee on the first reference recommended the payment of such items as they thought least exceptionable rejecting only the item of clerk hire and counterfeit money being one hundred and fifty four dollars for Clerk hire and fifteen dollars for counterfeit money making together [129] one hundred and sixty nine dollars. From the additional circumstances disclosed by this second application the committee have agreed to recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the sum of one hundred and sixty nine dollars be paid to Edward M^{c}Lauglin and that this resolution shall not be considered as a precedent hereafter to authorise the payment of Clerk hire to the Excise Commissioner

Signed Judah Hammond
Cha^{s} Town
Henry J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
B. Crane.

Which was approved and a warrant directed to be reported agreably thereto

The Same Committee on the communication of the Comptroller respecting leasing the Public Docks reported as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Comptroller on the subject of the revenue arising from the Wharves Piers and Slips

Respectfully Report

That they have [130] considered the subject and are of opinion that it would be most prudent to continue the old system for the next year they however recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be requested to advertise for proposals for leasing the public docks and Slips for one year from the first of May next but that the Corporation will reserve the right of accepting or rejecting Such proposals as may be offered

Signed J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Chas Town
Francis Cooper
B. Crane.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George C Langdon reported the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to open the covenants contained in the lease held by the memorialist and that the prayer of his petition therefore cannot[131] be granted

Signed J. Hammond
H. J Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Chas Town
B. Crane

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee to whom was referred the Resolution proposed by Aldn Emmons to enquire into the propriety of fixing a Rent upon some of the offices in the City Hall reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Resolutions proposed by Ald. Emmons respecting the propriety of fixing A Rent on some of the public offices in the City Hall.

Respectfully Report

That previous to the building the City Hall the public officers generally kept their offices at their own houses so that when a person had business with several of them he must go half round the city to find them which was a great public inconvenience; in order therefore to remedy which and for the greater safety of the documents kept by those gentlemen in their offices when the city Hall [132] was built rooms were assigned for them in that building and which were accepted by them not as being more convenient for it greatly interfered with their private business but as an arrangement for public accomodation and Safety and that the great law offices might be near each other

The committee are of opinion that it would be more advantageous to the Gentlemen filling those offices if they were permitted to keep their offices at their own houses than to be obliged to keep them at the City hall free from rent The following resolution is therefore recommended

Resolved that it is not expedient to adopt the proposed resolution

(Signed) J Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Chaˢ Town
Francis Cooper
B. Crane.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

*[134] The same committee to whom was referred the account of Le Grand Jarvis reported as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of Le Grand Jarvis praying to be compensated for surveying the limits attached to the Debtors jail in the city of New York and for making a plan and drawing report thereon

Respectfully Report.

That there appears to be due to the memorialist thirty eight dollars for the services above mentioned

The following resolution is recommended Resolved that the sum of thirty eight dollars be paid to Le Grand Jarvis in full for the above mentioned services

Signed J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Chaˢ Town
Francis Cooper
B. Crane

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and a warrant directed to be reported accordingly

†[134) The Same committee on the petition of Barbara Owens reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Barbara Owens respecting the payment of Back rent and for glass doors and other fixtures Respectfully Report.

That the committee are informed that at the time Mrs Owens contracted for the premises she agreed to pay the back rent mentioned

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.
† Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

in her memorial. That with respect to the Glass doors floors and other like fixtures which have been paid for by Mrs Owens the committee do not perceive any particular objections to allow her for them provided She transfers them to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty and leaves the premises in good repair at the end of her lease

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to settle with Barbara Owens the occupant of Cellar N° 14 Washington market at the end of her lease for the Glass doors and other fixtures about the Cellar on her assigns the same to the Corporation provided the same and the premises be in good repair [135] and provided also that he do not allow her a larger sum than twenty dollars

Resolved that the residue of the memorial of Barbara Owens cannot be granted

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Chas Town
Benjn Crane
Francis Cooper.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the petition of Joseph Place to remove his house at Brooklyn reported

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Joseph Place requesting permission to move his building in Brooklyn out on the line with the house now occupied by Benjamin Smith at the Steam boat ferry

Respectfully Report

That the Slip at the Ferry is now too small and in the opinion of the Committee the application cannot be granted without incurring public inconvenience

The following resolution is recommended

[136] Resolved that the request of the memorialist cannot be granted

(Signed) J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Chas Town
Francis Cooper
B. Crane.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee to whom was referred the resignation of Adolph L Degrove Collector of the 4th ward reported as follows

The finance committee to whom was referred the resignation of Adolph L De Grove the collector of the 4th Ward respectfully Report that Mr Degrove is in such decayed health as to be wholly unable to collect the taxes of the fourth ward of which he is collector; that in such cases the law authorises the election of a new collector and directs the notice required to be given by the inspectors of such election to be a six days notice, and the election be holden for two days only. The following resolution is recommended

[137] Resolved that an election for a collector of taxes in and for the fourth ward of the city of New York be held on Tuesday the 9th day of April inst. and on the next day thereafter

(Signed) J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
B. Crane
Chas Town
Francis Cooper.

Which was approved the resolution for holding the election on the 9th and 10th inst. adopted and John Targee George R Chessman and Benjamin Jessup were appointed inspectors of said Election

The Special committee appointed to ascertain the practicability of supplying the city with water pure and wholesome presented the following report

The Special committee appointed to ascertain the practicability of supplying the City with good and wholesome water beg leave to

Report in part. That in the commencement of their investigation of this important subject it has been deemed necessary to obtain a view [138] of the situation of the waters contemplated to be used: and to effect the object they proceeded on the 20th and 21st instant to examine the lakes forming one of the sources of the River Bronx known by the name of Rye Ponds These lakes are situated in the county of Westchester about 30 miles from the city of New York and consist of two handsome and extensive sheets of water in an elevated position and surrounded by hills of considerable altitude The largest Lake is elevated about 3 feet above the other and covers a surface of 220 acres its greatest depth is from 45 to 50 feet and it communicates with the smaller Lake through a natural aqueduct of from 3 to 4 feet in width The small Lake is said to cover a surface of 50 acres making the total of both lakes 270 acres The waste water from the

large lake is discharged into the small one through the aforesaid aqueduct and from thence proceeds in a westerly direction untill it unites with the Main stream of the River Bronx: and it is believed [139] that both lakes are replenished by numerous springs of pure water rising in their vicinity

The committee were unprepared for making experiments on the qualities of the waters but they are satisfied from the reports of others and their own observation that it contains all the properties necessary to constitute good and wholesome water and that in quantity it is sufficient for every purpose for which it may be required

The committee were accompanied in their excursion by Mr John McComb the late Street Commissioner; Mr R McComb who furnished them with a profile of a survey made under his direction with a view of ascertaining the practicability of bringing the water of the River Bronx to this city and Mr. C. Amos White one of the principal Engineers in the employ of the Commissioners of the lake Erie and northern Canals This gentleman at the request of the Committee made an actual admeasurement and estimate of the quantity of water discharged from the aperture or outlet of these lakes from which it appears that it equals about one million of gallons in 24 hours. The Water at this time [140] was said to be at its lowest guage. This was asserted by several persons residing in the Vicinity of the lakes and Mr John McComb who had visited them some years since at a time of great drought was of opinion that they were no lower at the period when he saw them than at the present It is the opinion of the Committee therefore that the quantity of water discharged on the day the aforesaid calculation was made, was the minimum discharge for the season but should this supply on further experiment and calculation be thought insufficient it may be increased three or four fold by excavating the outlet and raising a dam to the Lakes that shall be sufficient to retain any given quantity which may be required.

The committee also examined the River Bronx at several situations on its progress South and particularly at its junction with Mill Brook. At this place according to the plan designated on the profile furnished by R. McComb it is contemplated to direct the river and to carry it through Mill Brook [141] about one and three quarters of a mile in a South west direction then to cross a rough piece of ground by excavating a hill which is said to be 52 and a half [f]eet high to Morrisania creek and through the aforesaid Creek to near its junction with the Harlaem River, and from thence to McCombs's Bridge. At the bridge it is proposed to raise the water with the power created by

damming the river and the aid of Pumps to a reservoir to be erected on an eminence a short distance from the bridge on this Island and from thence to be brought to the city through the means of Pipes or aqueducts; the height of the River Bronx at its junction with the Mill brook is 50 feet above the Hudson and the additional height that may be gained by raising the water to the eminence just mentioned it is supposed by Mr McComb will be sufficient for all parts of the city

The committee are unable as yet to decide upon the feasibility of this or any other plan, or to give the board such information as may be relied on relative to the probable ultimate cost of effecting the [142] object in view: but they conceive that the supplying this City with good and wholesome water is of so much importance to the health and convenience of its inhabitants that they are induced to recommend that a competent person be employed to make correct surveys of the whole line of Country between this city and the lakes forming the principal source of the river Bronx the whole cost of which including the necessary maps profiles and estimates as they are informed will not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars

From the information the committee have received they are led to believe that the talents and practical knowledge of Mr C White will enable him to make the aforesaid surveys and estimates and to furnish all the necessary information on the subject with great correctness and accuracy but the engagements of that Gentleman with the canal commissioners will prevent him from undertaking the business untill the fall of the present year when should his services be required he will cheerfully devote his time and talents to [143] the object

The Committee beg leave to recommend the following resolutions

Resolved that five hundred dollars be appropriated for the purpose of obtaining a survey and profile of the whole line of country between this city and the main Source of the River Bronx commonly called Rye Ponds together with an estimate of the probable cost of compleating the project of supplying this city with good and wholesome water

Respectfully submitted

Signed Stephen Allen
J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Henry Mead.

Whereupon the resolution proposed was adopted

The committee on Assessments on the petition of James Campbell reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of James Campbell praying to be relieved from an erroneous assessment made on [144] his personal property by the Assessors of the 8th Ward

Report

That they have examined this case and it appearing from a Certificate of the Assessors hereunto annexed that it was their intention to value the personal property at $100 instead of $1000 and that the latter sum had been put down through mistake or was an error in Copying from the original book of Assessments The Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted and the Sum reduced from $1000. to that originally intended by the assessors The following resolution is respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Collector of the 8th ward be instructed to receive from James Campbell No 179 Mott St personal Tax on $100 in lieu of $1000 and that he return the balance in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
J. Bingham
Wm Thorn
Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony

[145] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the request of Thomas Miller one of the Assessors of the 9th ward respecting a mistake in the tax book in relation to the Tax of Robert Halliday reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the communication of Mr Thomas Miller one of the Assessors of the 9th ward in which he says that there is a mistake in the Assessment on one House & Seven lots of Ground belonging to Robert Halliday in the original Tax book it is put down at $6.000 and in the copy to the Collector it is only $600. Thus $600. at 37 cents is 2 22/100 and the same on $6000 would be $22 20/100. making a difference of $19 98/100 the Collector wishes to know before he calls for the above tax whether it must be rectified or not

Report

That the statement made by Mr Miller corresponds exactly with the Books of the 9th Ward and as there does not appear [146] any disposition on the part of Mr Halliday to take advantage of the error on the contrary he said to the Assessor that he did not wish his prop-

erty to be valued lower than his neighbours The Committee being of opinion that the error ought to be corrected respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 9th ward be instructed to receive from Robert Halliday the Tax on $6000 on his house and seven lots of ground in West Bank St. in lieu of $600 and that he pay the difference say $19 98/100 into the Treasury to the Credit of the errors and insolvencies of Said Ward.

(Signed) Chas Town
John Bingham
William Thorn
John P Anthony
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same Committee on the petition of Jacob Slocum reported as follows.

[147] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob Slocum praying to be relieved from paying Personal Tax in two wards and also the remission of the tax assessed on the School House which he occupies at No 64 Chamber Street in the 3d Ward.

Report. That, they have had the subject under consideration and find that the House No 64 Church Street is private property and as such is not in their opinion exempt from Taxation

On the other Subject that of being assessed in two wards for personal Tax they have no hesitation in recommending that he be relieved from paying that Assessed on him in the ward in which he does not reside and for that purpose respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved, that the collector of the 3d Ward be instructed to decline collecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of Jacob Slocum at No 64 Church St and that he return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Chas Town
John Bingham
(Signed) John P Anthony
Thomas Bolton
Wm Thorn

[148] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same Committee on the petition of Francis Child remonstrating against the Assessment for the Sewer in Grand Street reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Francis Child in which he States that he has been assessed for making a Sewer in Grand Street, that the water from his property runs into the Sewer in Thompson St for which he has already been assessed and as the Grand Street Sewer is of no benefit to him he prays that he may be relieved in the premises

Report

That they have had this subject under examination and find from a Map furnished them by the Street Commissioner that the property of the Petitioner is on the North East corner of Grand and Thompson St's and that the water from his lots does all run into the Sewer in Thompson St [149] The Same assessors assessed for both Sewers they assessed the Petitioner for one lot for the Sewer in Thompson St & on 4 Lots for Grand St. Sewer they were bound to assess all the lots on Grand St fronting the Sewer if there had been no drain or Sewer in Grand St. they would have assessed the whole of the 5 lots for Thompson St Sewer therefore as your Committee cannot possibly conceive what difference it can make to the Petitioner when no part of his property is assessed twice for the same object they are of opinion that his request ought not to be granted and recommend the confirmation of the Assessment The following resolution is respectfully Submitted

Resolved that the Assessment for building a Sewer in Grand Street be and the Same is hereby confirmed.

(Signed) Chas Town
John Bingham
William Thorn
John P Anthony
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted the Assessment for Grand St Sewer was confirmed [150] and John G Betts was appointed Collector of the same.

The report of the Street Committee on the subject of Maiden Lane was called up and being read was in the words following.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of James J. Roosevelt & others relative to the Widening of Maiden Lane from Wm St. to Pearl St and the Petition of Wm L. Vandevoort and

others, praying that the said improvement might be extended by the widening of Liberty St

Respectfully Report

That they find Maiden lane to be twenty nine feet wide on the Easterly side of William St, that its width decreases to twenty five *five* feet at its junction with Liberty St. and that at its intersection with Pearl Street it is only twenty one feet Nine inches wide. That the Fly Market being now removed it is probable that the Street which it formerly occupied will become a [151] scene of great business and activity: and as the passage from river to river and indeed the only convenient avenue for admission into the centre of the city from that quarter must be through Maiden lane your Committee have no doubt that the narrowness of the passage will if the street be left in its present condition be severely felt and give rise to many accidents.

This Street is also the passage through which the water from a very considerable surface in that part of the city is conveyed into the River and the contraction of the passage makes Maiden Lane at its junction with Pearl St. almost impassable during a heavy rain and after the rain has ceased this street is always found covered with putrid vegetable and animal matter which cannot fail to be prejudicial to the health of the inhabitants in the vicinity while in winter the lower end of maiden lane is noted for its large collections of ice broken with ruts which make it almost impassable.

Your Committee further represent [152] that at a meeting of the committee a large number of the petitioners attended and generally came to an agreement to acquiesce in the report which this committee should make respecting the proposed North Easterly line of said Street That after every exertion for the purpose of obtaining information this Committee is satisfied that the proposed widening of Maiden lane on the north easterly side from William to Pearl Street so that it shall be about fifty three feet wide at the South Easterly corner of William *at* [and] about fifty three feet wide at its intersection with Pearl Street according to a line drawn on a map of Maiden Lane in the Street Commissioners office would be a general benefit and the means of great improvement to the adjacent property; they therefore feel themselves authorised in recommending to the board to carry the same into effect, and they have annexed a resolution for that purpose.

The committee are moreover [153] decided in their opinion that it ought to be expressly understood by the parties interested that the corporation in making the application for the appointment of Com-

missioners for the purpose aforesaid act under the full impression and confidence that no part of the assessment for the proposed improvement is to be imposed upon the Corporation This appears to the committee equitable first because the Corporation own no property in that vicinity and secondly because in the opinion of your Committee the proposed improvement will add a value to the adjacent property fully sufficient to enable such property to bear the whole assessment They have therefore annexed a resolution that provided Commissioners should be appointed the said commissioners be furnished with a copy of this report and the resolutions annexed thereto

The committee had likewise under consideration the Petition of William L Vandervoort and others on the subject of extending the improvement of Maiden lane by widening Liberty Street. They [154] believe the amount of the assessment would be great and the improvement not equal to the cost and they consider the widening of Maiden lane on the North Easterly side from William to Pearl Street as a greater and more valuable improvement and that it, only ought to be carried into effect.

Resolved that the counsel of the Board be instructed to make application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of enlarging and improving Maiden Lane on the North Easterly side *of* from William Street to Pearl Street so that it shall be about fifty three feet wide at the South Easterly corner of William Street and Maiden Lane and about fifty three feet wide at its intersection with Pearl St.

Resolved that the Commissioners when appointed be furnished with a copy of the foregoing Resolutions and report

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
H. J. Wyckoff
[155] George B Thorp

the question being taken on agreeing to the same it was carried in the affirmative Mr Crane gave notice that he would move for a reconsideration at the next meeting of the Board

The petition of Benjamin Baily praying compensation for a tenement occupied by the order of the Board of Health in 1820 was called up and postponed indefinitely

This being the period for appointing inspectors of the ensuing Annual Election the Board proceeded to that duty when the following persons were appointed

1st Ward Edmund Smith—Garrit Storm—Peter DeMilt
2nd do Thomas A Ronalds—James Benedict—John Sutphen
3d do Daniel D Smith—John C Hamilton—Andrew S Norwood
4th do John Targee—George H Cheesman—Benjn Jessup
5th do Wm M. Carter—Rudolph Bunner—Ezra Weeks
6th do Wm Alburtis—Richard L Walker—Nicolas C Everett
7th do David Lyon—Abraham Dally—James P Allair
8th do Stuart F Randolph—Saml M Thompson—Jacob Aimes
9th do Jacobus Dyckman—John Doughty—Thomas Miller
10th do Reuben Clark, Jno. Fream. Thomas Gibbons,

[156] Alderman Mann agreably, to notice given moved to reconsider the vote taken at the last meeting of the proposed law to be passed by the Legislature for altering the time of holding the Charter Election in this City Upon the question of agreeing to reconsider the same it passed in the Negative It was then directed that the memorial and bill be transmitted to the Legislature

On Motion of Alderman Emmons Resolved that *that* the Superintendant of Repairs cause the West Pier at Peck Slip to be repaired

Mr Crane presented a resolution directing the Counsel when applying to the Supreme Court for Commissioners in the Case of Maiden Lane to apply that the Commissioners assess the whole benefits on the Neighbourhood Which was read and the consideration postponed.

[157] The Comptroller reported Balance in the Treasury

18 inst. March	$33.30	
Recd for tax of 1821 2. 3. 4. 6. 7. 8. 10 wards	16200.	
" Rents	1716.02	
" Justices Courts	368.29	
" Tavern licenses	338.10	
" Wells & Pumps	50.	18705.71

40 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibbard and Clark " 2d "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	435.75
R Riker Esqr Recorder 1. Qr Salary 1st Inst.	375.
Wm S Smith Collr City Revenue " to 22 March	285.50
Peter Ammerman Clk 6 Markets fr 22 June	76.43
Ezra Frost Clerk of Fulton Market 1 mo	41.66
Isaac Asten Sweeper Do	58.59
Richard Smith Clk Washington Markets 1. mo 1 int.	41.
John Bremner Clk Catharine market " "	35.75
Samuel Hutchings St. Inspr 1 mo 1st inst.	54.25
Abraham Ackerman Do " "	54.25
Jonathan Pinckney Do " "	54.25
Wm J. Waldron Asst City Inspector " "	45.50

Obadiah Ayres Asst City Inspector 1 mo 1st inst.....	45.50	
Astin & Cochran Messengers.....	52.	
George Mills Assistant Board of Health.....	45.50	
[158] Benjn Hicks Assistant Board of Health.....	45.50	
Danl H Magee Keeper of Pottersfield.....	38.75	
Ogden Edwards drafting Laws going to Albany &c.....	364.86	
J Morton in full for completing list of firemen.....	184.	
Corporation of City of Albany voluntary contribution towards expences of late survey of roads between N. York and albany.....	121.87	
S. Allen Esqr expenses of Comee to Rye pond to examine for pure and wholesome water for the city.....	45.56	
H Maxwell dist Atty 1. Qr Salary 16 march.....	750..	
R Hatfield Clk of Sessions to pay witnesses.....	46.	
Comms of Com. Schools for advertising.....	7.12	
N Comstock 10 casks of Oil.....	660.	
G Snethen Supts Lighting Lamps 1 march.....	659.32	
H & M Cochrane paving varick and Canal & Water Sts...	281.35	
J Sloan filling lot No 927 Mott St Lien F Ball.....	35.31	
Lang Turner & Co. adverts notice for nonpt of Assessmts..	7.87	
Benjn Brower bal. Contt supplying stone at Batty.....	647.50	
Thomas Barnum work at mud machine 24th march.....	114.81	
Abraham Dally Sundries for ditto.....	85.88	
Revd John Stanford for his services past year.....	300.	
John B Halstead bal. making [&] putting [up] blinds Fulton market	438.75	
J P Roome Supt Repairs for copper nails at ferry stairs...	179.62	
J P Roome Supt Repairs for Repairs.....	206.	
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House for 3d Avenue.....	2000.	
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House for Alms House.....	8000.	18569.50
	Balance	$136.21

[159] In Common Council April 15th 1822.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President.

Aldermen	Assistants
Maltby Gelston	Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony	Abr. Valentine
John Bingham	Wm H Ireland
Robert McQueen	Benn Crane
Asa Mann	Chas Town
Isaac Emmons	Shivers Parker
George B Thorp	Wm Thorn
Judah Hammond	Francis Cooper
	Gerard DePeyster
	Henry Mead

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A petition of Franklin & Minturn Auctioneers for relief from a

fine incurred unknowingly in selling a gig and horse by order of executors *was* in front of their auction room in Wall St was read and referred to the Police committee

A petition of Barnard Fagan for remission of [160] fine for selling liquor without license was referred to the Police committee.

A Petition of A. Rider, to lease lot N° 14 on block bounded east by Washington St. West by West St, North by Fulton St, and South by Dey Street was referred to the Finance Committee.

A petition of Henry W Ludlum complaining of being removed from the office of Fire warden on the ground of having removed from the City when in fact he was only temporarily absent on business was referred to the committee on the Fire Department

A petition of John H Remsen praying for stay of a prosecution against him on a Recognisance that a certain person therein named should not return to the city whose return arose from a misrepresentation of petitioners counsel—which being read was referred to the Police comm^ee

[161] A petition of Henry Eckford & others proprietors in and near Stanton Slip stating that it would be advantageous to them if a centre Pier was run out in Stanton Slip 455 feet beyond the present front of Mr Eckford Shipyard & praying the same may be done was read and referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Recommendation in behalf of Jeremiah Woolsey to be appointed inspector of Firewood was read and referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A petition in behalf of Robert Slater an alien but having resided in the U States near five years. & having made the necessary declaration of his intention of becoming a citizen and having moreover served upwards of one year in the 2^nd Regiment of Artillery in this City wand praying to be licensed as a Cartman was read and referred to his honor the Mayor.

A petition of Edward Hilton praying relief from a personal Tax was ref^d to the Comm^ee on Assessments.

[162] A petition of the But[c]hers of Washington Market remonstrating against the selling of the Stalls in said Market at public auction was referred to the Market committee

A petition of Jacob Sei[d]ler for license as a butcher and for a stall in Spring St market was referred to the Market committee

A petition of Richard Berrian to be permitted to bring out one end of his house on the corner of Roosevelt Street and Chatham a few

inches so as to make it on a straight line with the west side of Roosevelt St. was referred to the St. Commee

A petition of Hart & Belden Lessees of Room over watch House in Eldridge Street requesting that the yard attached to said building may be filled in was referred to the Committee on Public Lands & Places

[163] A Petition of Leonard A Bleecker to be appointed collector of Arrears of taxes was referred to the committee on applications

A petition of Cornelius Dubois proprietor of 4 Lots of ground on First avenue corner of North Street requesting the sale of a portion of Public ground there so as to enable him to run his front on a line with Allen Street was referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of the Vestry of St. James Church at Hamilton Square requesting grant of a lot there for an academy was read and referred to the finance Committee

A Petition of Thomas Hammond and Gilbert Underhill praying relief from a judgement obtained against them for selling meat in the Bowery—a priviledge they have enjoyed upwards of twenty years was referred to the Market committee

A Remonstrance against laying Curb stone & side walk in Bedford Street and other Streets in Greenwich Village was referred to the Street Committee

[164] A Memorial from the Richmond Turnpike and Nautilus Steam boat company calling the attention of the corporation to the State of Pier N° 2 at White Hall which requires immediate repairs was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A petition of Wm L Simers was received Stating that he is owner of a lot purchased from the Corporation corner of Henry and Oliver Street located on the Easterly line of Oliver St, that by a late regulation of Oliver Street his lot is thrown 9 feet Back and he cannot build on the line of the Street & praying relief was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John G Pearsall for appointment as measurer of Grain was referred to the commee on Applications

[165] A petition of Westervelt and Ackerman for relief from fine for selling liquors without license was referred to the Police committee

A petition of Cristopher Rider a measurer of Grain requesting to be appointed a measurer of Coal & Salt was referred to the committee on Applications

A petition of James B Thurston to be appointed collector of Arrears of Taxes was referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition of Thomas Willis to be app^{d} Keeper of Potters field was referred to the same Committee

A petition of Thomas Foote to be app^{d} a measurer of Lime was referred to the same committee

A Representation from Moses Cunningham Assistant Justice of the 5th & 8th wards [166] that as the present Court room cannot be had for the ensuing year he recommends as a suitable one that of Mr Jesse Howard on Provoost Street next to the corner of Chaple Street which was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 5th & 8th wards.

A petition of Samuel Bennet for app^{t} of keeper of Potters field was refered to the committee on Applications

A further petition of James Bogert was received stating that his wish respecting a rail fence along the side of his house on Courtlandt St was that it should be of wood and not of Iron as understood by the committee who reported on his former petition and praying he might be permitted to erect a fence of wood was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Robert Wilson for remission of fine for retailing liquors without license was referred to the Police Committee

[167] A Remonstrance against the Petition *o*for widening & extending Skinner Street from sundry Freeholders and inhabitants was read and referred to the St. Committee

A Petition of James Titus Lessee of a Butchers Stall in Fulton market praying a reduction of the Rent on said Stall was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of J Benjamin for appointm^{t} to the office of Guager was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition from Tobias Tobias for relief from tax assessed on him was referred to the committee on Assessments

A petition of David Williamson to be relieved from a Personal Tax was referred to the same committee

A petition from Jessee Leveridge to be relieved from a fine for retailing liquors without license was referred to the Police Comm^{ee}

[168] A petition that Broome Street may be regulated and paved between Mercer & Thompson Streets was referred to the Street committee

A petition of the executor of Joshua Jones & others Proprietors of Water lots on the East of the centre of Dover St. and extending

along South Street 220 feet praying to be permitted to sink a pier from the centre of the line from the South side of South Street into the East river which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of the inhabitants of Walker Street near Broad way to repair or remove a pump in said St was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the ward & Street Commissioner

A petition of Alexander Mooney for money due him for regulating Lispenard Street & repaving Roosevelt and Front St^{s} was referred to the Street committee

[169] A petition of Robert Nevin to be appointed a measurer & Inspector of Lumber was referred to the committee on Applications

A Letter was received from Abraham Dally Inspector *o*for 7th ward of the ensuing election resigning his office which was accepted and William S Coe was appointed inspector of 7th ward in his place

A certificate was received from John L Broome Clerk of the city and county of New York certifying that at the late special election held in the 4th ward for choosing a collector for said ward in place of Adolph L De Grove resigned William Benjamin was duly elected collector by the greatest number of votes given at Said Election which was directed to be filed and the Clerk of the Common Council to give Mr Benjamin notice of his election.

A letter was received from John Randel Jun^{r} enclosing a Pamphlet containing observations respecting the course of the Erie Canal at its Eastern termination which was referred to the [170] *to the* committee on the subject of bringing water to the city

A Petition from a number of Inhabitants for a well and Pump near the intersection of Grand Sheriff and Harman Streets was referred to the Aldermen and Assistant of the 7th Ward & St. Commissioner

A petition from Peter Bannan for relief from tax imposed on him was referred to the committee on Assessments

A Petition of Silas Pearsall for appointm^{t} of Inspector of firewood was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

The following Persons were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies.

Fire warden 3^{d} ward

James Clinch Ship Chandler Dey Street
vice Peter Aymar Resigned

Fire Warden 5th Ward

James Journeay Carpenter 13 Cedar Street
vice James Votee discharged

[171] Fire Engine N° 18

Wm R. Clapp. Merchant 22 Market St
Vice Robert White Resigned

James Weeks Merchant 416 Pearl St
vice James N Chattin Resigned

N° 20.

John Westervelt Grocer corr Read and Bd Way
vice John Guest time expired

Peter Malloy Sadler 82 Cedar vice Samuel Bell Do

N° 27.

Abraham Storm Merchant Greenwich Street
vice Wm Smith Resigned

John Coapman Dock builder Greenwich Street
vice George Holberton Resigned

John H. Smith Carpenter Broome St. 581
vice John Westervelt Resigned

Jacob Benson Carpenter Broome St 581.
vice Henry Van Riper Resigned

Isaac Hinds Cartman 51 Charlton St.
vice William Passman resigned

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for regulating Scammel Street from Cherry Street to Lombardy St. which was confirmed and Morris De Camp appointed Collector.

[172] He also on the petition of Benjamin Birdsall for return of money paid for vault intended to be built reported as follows.

The Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed petition of Benjamin Birdsall praying that the amount paid by him for ground intended to be used for a vault may be returned him as by digging for such vault a valuable Stoop belonging to the adjoining house will be thrown down and destroyed

Respectfully Reports that he has viewed the premises and is of opinion that it is impracticable to build a vault at the place intended without producing the result stated by the petitioner

The Street Commissioner would therefore recommend that the sum of $51.75/100 be returned to Mr Birdsall that being the amount paid

into the City Treasury for the ground intended to be used for the said Vault

(Signed) R. Graves St Comr

[173] Which was approved and the Comptroller was directed to report a warrant agreably thereto for $51.75/100

He also agreably to the Report this Evening of the Street Committee reported an ordinance for regulating and paving Broome St. from Thompson to Sullivan Street which was passed and Abraham Dally Francis Peckwell & John Brower were appointed Assessors

He also reported on the like report of the Street Committee, an ordinance for a Well and pump in Broadway between Canal & Howard Streets Which was passed and Peter H Wendover Isaac Kip & John Bedient were appointed Assessors

The Counsel presented a communication stating that a piece of ground in the 8th ward had been sold to Abraham Herring for non payment of Assessment for opening 4th Street. that the ground has been conveyed to the Corporation for extending Green St but that Mr Herring is willing to cede [174] the same on receiving 14 per cent interest on the money paid by him

Whereupon the same was referred to the Finance Committee.

He also presented a lease to John H Hill for a lot of ground sold for taxes which was directed to be executed.

The City Inspector reported the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances. which were passed

No	1	P Dinan	Occupant	No	20	Vandewater St	A Privy
	2	T Sandford	Do		195	Mott St	Do
	3	E Pardee	"		185	Spring	"
	4	J Thorburn	"		18	frankfort St	"
	5	D Hagerman	"		228	Pearl "	"
	6	B McGarragan	"		5	Chatham "	"
	7	J Camerden	"		103	Do "	"
	8	J Norris	"		105	Do "	"
	9	S Dawson	"		8	Rose "	"
	10	G McKibben	"		10	" "	"
	11	A Tuttle	"		13	" "	"
	12	H Rose	"		19	" "	"
	13	Mrs Howard	"		203	William "	"
	14	J Lathrop	"		224	"	"
	15	[175] A Young	"		240	"	"
	16	C Harris	"		242	"	"
	17	P Murray	"		244	"	"
	18	C Hoy	"		250	"	"

19	J OBryan	Occupant	252 William	A Privy
20	F Stahl	"	264 "	"
21.	N R Baker	"	135 Hester St.	"

(Signed) Geo. Cumming
City Inspector

The committee on Applications on the Petition of Thomas Browne to be appointed a Measurer of Grain reported as follows

The committee on the Petition of Thomas Browne praying to be appointed one of the measurers of Grain Beg leave to present the following Resolution

Resolved

That Thomas Browne be appointed one of the measurers of Grain of this City

(Signed) John Bingham
M Gelston
Gerard De Peyster

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and he was appointed accordingly

[176] The Committee on the petition of Thomas Hodgkinson reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within petition of Thomas Hodgkinson for permission to let two Horse chesnut trees which he had planted in Nassau Street remain there for that he was unconscious of violating at the time any law of the corporation

Respectfully Report.

that your committee have seen the Trees set by Mr Hodgkinson in Nassau Street and although the Street at that place is not forty feet wide as the law contemplates the width of the Street to be in which trees are to be set yet they do not in this instance think that any inconvenience will arise to the public by letting the trees remain particularly as they are small and of a kind that never arrive to a large size Your committee under all the circumstances of the case would recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Chesnut [177] trees in front of the House of Thomas Hodgkinson corner of Nassau and fulton Street be permitted to remain at the pleasure of the Common Council

Signed Francis Cooper
George B Thorp
Wm H. Ireland.

the question being taken on agreeing to the report of the committee it passed in the Negative and the Street Commissioner was directed

to cause the trees to be removed the Ayes and Noes having been Called by Ald. Mann were as follows

Negative Ald. Anthony. Bingham McQueen, Mann, Emmons Mr Bolton, Crane, Parker Thorn. Mead 10.

Affirmative Ald^{n} Gelston, Thorp Hammond Mr Valentine, Ireland Town, Cooper. 7

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Green Street reported as follows.

The Street committee to whom was referred the within petition of Proprietors of Lots fronting on Green Street from Canal St. to Spring St. for permission to Regulate and pave the same at their [expense] [178] Report—that in the opinion of Your Committee the request of the petitioners ought to be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners be granted and that Green Street be paved under the direction of the Street Commissioner

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
George B Thorp
W^{m} H. Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The same committee on the petition of Benjamin Lord for removing a well in Broad Way reported as follows.

The Street Committee having viewed the well and Pump mentioned in the within petition Report

that in their opinion the prayer of the Petitioner should be granted, that the Pump stands in the [179] centre of the Side walk between Canal St and Howard Street in Broadway and that when the Stoop to the house opposite is erected nearly the whole of the walk will be obstructed your Committee would therefore Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Pump in Broadway between Canal & Hester Sts be removed the well filled up and a new Well dug at such place between the Streets aforesaid as shall be directed by the Alderman and Assistant of the 8th ward and that an ordinance pass to that effect.

Signed F Cooper
Geo. B Thorp
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and the Street Commissioner imediately reported an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of John B Clarke reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom the [180] annexed petition of John B Clark for permission to erect a Stairs from the side walk to the second story of his Store corner of Cedar and Washington Streets was referred

Respectfully Report

that your committee see no objections in granting the prayer of the petitioner inasmuch as there are no dwellings on the block fronting Washington Street and the Stairs are to be of the Step ladder kind and very narrow Your committee therefore submit the following resolution

Resolved that John B Clark be permitted to erect an outside stairs to his Store corner of Cedar and Washington Streets under the direction of the Street Commissioner to continue during the pleasure of the Common Council

Signed Francis Cooper
George B Thorp
Asa Mann
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[181] The Same Committee on the Petition to pave Broome Street reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Owners of Property on Broome Street between Sullivan & Thompson Streets praying that the Street may be regulated and paved

Report

That your committee see no objections to granting the request of the petitioners and therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners be granted and that an Ordinance be passed and the same carried into effect

Signed F Cooper
Asa Mann
George B Thorp
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the Street Commr

immediately reported an ordinance agreably thereto Which was passed.

[182] The Street Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Street Commissioner on the subject of digging out & regulating Henry Street presented a report the communication of the Street Commr being as follows.

The St Commissioner begs leave to state that in Obedience to a Resolution of the Common Council he caused Henry Street to be advertised for regulating from Clinton Street to walnut Street for the lowest term free of Expense to the Owners of property deemed to be benefitted thereby that One estimate only was received the person Estimating proposing to regulate that part of the Street between Clinton & Gouverneur St in 18 months and from Gouverneur to Walnut Street in two Years the foregoing communication is made in Order that the undersigned may be instructed whether or not he may contract on the terms proposed [183] in the Estimate

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) R Graves.
St Commr

The report of the Street Committee was as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred a communication of the St Commissioner relative to the digging out and regulating Henry Street

Report

That in the opinion of the committee the terms proposed are such as may with propriety and public advantage be complied with and therefe respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved

that the conditions for digging out and regulating Henry Street be complied with and that the Street Commissioner contract therefore accordingly

Francis Cooper
(Signed) Asa Mann
George B Thorp
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved & the resolution adopted

[184] The Finance Committee on the application of the Society of united Christian friends for the use of a room reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of Benjamin Trimble and William Ryer junior proposing to hire the

upper part of the public building situated at the corner of Christopher Street and Hudson St. for the purpose of Public worship being the same premises now occupied by the congregation of St. Matthews church

Respectfully Report that at the time this place was first let to the congregation of St Matthews church it was standing idle and the Common Council at first permitted the use of the building gratis its situation being such that it was difficult to let it at that time afterwards they let it to the same congregation at the rate of Thirty dollars a year on the condition that it Should be surrendered up on request or when wanted.

The Committee [185] are of opinion that Sixty dollars a year is a low rent for the premises they therefore recommend the following resolution which under the circumstances they deem reasonable

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to lease the aforesaid premises for one year at the rent of sixty dollars for the purpose of Public Worship to the persons applying on his being satisfied as to the payment of the rent in quarteryearly payments

Respectfully Submitted

Signed J. Hammond
Chaˢ Town
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom had been referred the Annual Report of the trustees of the City Dispensary of persons vaccinated reported. as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the Annual report of the Trustees of the city Dispensary of Persons vaccinated in the year ending the [186] 16th of March 1822

Respectfully Report that it has been usual on the making the report in question to make an annual donation to the city Dispensary of Six hundred dollars the committee therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the usual donation of six hundred dollars be made to the city dispensary for the advancement of vaccination and the consequent diminution of the small pox

Respectfully submitted

J Hammond
Chaˢ Town
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and a warrant directed to issue agreably to the Report.

The committee on Assessments on the petition of Isaac Barber reported as follows

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of [187] Isaac Barber complaining of having been assessed for personal tax at two places (to wit) N° 53 Robinson St and 206 Greenwich Street and praying to be relieved from paying that assessed on him at the latter place

Report.

That on an examination of the original Book of Assessment for the 3d ward the committee are satisfied of the correctness of the Statement made by the Petitioner and as his place of residence is at N° 53 Robinson they are of opinion that he ought to be relieved from paying the personal tax assessed on him at N° 206 Greenwich St and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 3d ward be instructed to decline collecting the tax assessed on the Personal property of Isaac Barber at N° 206 Greenwich Street and that he return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony
John Bingham
William Thorn

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[188] The Same Committee on the petition of Adam Pentz reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of A Pentz complaining of an assessments on his property for building a Sewer in Batavia Street.

That on investigating this subject they find that the Sewer was built last Summer, the assessment was advertised and open for inspection to all concerned in the month of august and was confirmed by the Board on the 3d of September without any objection having been made to it

Your Committee being decidedly of Opinion that it would be inex-

pedient to grant relief in this case respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner cannot be granted

Signed Chas Town
Thomas Bolton
John P Anthony
John Bingham
Wm Thorn

[189] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Chairman of the Market committee to which committee had been referred the remonstrance against erecting a market at the Old Slip being absent & the committee not prepared to report it was directed that all proceedings in relation thereto be postponed untill the further order of the board

Mr Crane agreably to notice moved that the board do reconsider the vote given at the last meeting on the report of the Street Committee on the Subject of Maiden Lane

A remonstrance of the Executors of Abrm Duryea & others against widening the Street more than 48 feet was presented and read the Report of the committee as presented at the last meeting together with a resolution proposed by Mr Crane that the whole expense of widening and extending Maiden Lane should be borne by the Neighbourhood were read—the Question [190] was then taken on Mr Crane's motion for Reconsideration when it passed in the negative Mr Crane having called the Ayes & Noes the members voted as follows.

Negative Ald. Gelston McQueen Mann Thorp Mr Bolton Valentine Ireland Town Thorn Mead 12

Affirmative Ald Anthony Bingham Emmons Hammond Messrs Crane Parker 5.

Resolved that the sureties of Adolph L Degrove deceased late collector of the 4th Ward be requested to settle with the Treasurer the amount of Taxes collected and thereupon to deliver the Assessment book to the Comptroller in order that William Benjamin Collector of the 4th ward may proceed forthwith to collect the *the* residue of the taxes and that the clerk inform the sureties of this resolution

[191] The following resolution for hiring Rooms for Justices courts of the 1. 2 & 3d wards and of the 7th & 10th wards was presented and agreed to

Resolved, that the comptroller be authorised to hire the room now occupied by the Assistant Justices court for the first second and third

wards situated in the second story of the house N° 44 Nassau Street being two rooms and also the use of the yard for the same purpose for one year from the first day of may next, for the rent or sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars for one year to be paid in quarter yearly payments And also that the Comptroller be authorised to make contracts for hiring the rooms now occupied by the Assistant justices of the Sevent and tenth ward courts for the like sum or rent for one year and payable as aforesaid and that he make such contract with the proprietors of the said rooms or buildings respectively or their authorised Agents

[192] The following resolution was presented and agreed to Resolved that the several officers of the board of the Common Council be requested Whenever in future they or any of them have occasion to be absent from the business of their respective offices to obtain leave of absence from the Mayor but in case such officer be willing to relinquish his pay during the time of his absence then there shall not be any greater or other necessity for such officer to obtain leave of absence than there would have been if this Resolution had not been passed

Mr Ireland presented an ordinance directing so much of the law regulating the manufacture and sale of Bread as compels the Bakers to sell bread by weight and make loaves of 1. 2. 3 & 4 pounds weight without any fractional parts to be repealed which was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices

[193] The Comptroller presented sealed proposals which had [been] received for the lease of the Public docks & Slips for the ensuing year and the

Doors were Closed

upon examining the Proposals it appeared that Thomas R Smith & John K Townsend had offered for the lease of the Public Docks & Slips for one year from the first day of May next the sum of $30,650 and had offered as Sureties W^m^ Thorn & Nehemia Allen whereupon it was resolved that a lease of the Public Docks & Slips for one year from the first day of May be made to Thomas R Smith & John K Townsend upon their furnishing such sufficient Sureties for the performance of the covenants of the Lease as shall be approved of by the Finance Committee And it was further Resolved that if the Said parties Shall fail in such Sureties as aforesaid that then the finance comm^ee^ shall be authorised to direct a lease to be made to the Person offering the next highest sum upon Sufficient Surety as aforesaid being given.

[194] The Comptroller Reported

Balance in the Treasury 1st Inst	$136.21	
Received for Tax of 1821 3d 4 9. wards	4534.	
" Rents	2172.89	
" Justices Courts	178.74	
" Fines from Attorney	79.67	
" Fines from Sheriff	60.12	7061.63

33 Accounts Audited

Leek and Walton watch 1st district	$1002.75	
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd	645.75	
Bleakly & Brower do 3d	435.75	
Wm J Waldron Assist City Inspector 1 mo 1	42.	
Andrew McCready Keeper of Park	27.	
J Morton index 42 vol. minutes & Hack hire	76.62	
Legrand Jarvis in full for surveying Jail limits	38.	
Lang Turner & Co. 1 years subscriptn 17th of March	100.	
J Targee and B Jessup Inspectors of election	20.	
James G Finn & Thomas Collins officers at do	8.	
Thomas Franklin Chf Engr Wood for Eng Houses	91.88	
R Provoost repairing lamps 1 mo 1st of April	60.68	
T Barnum work at mud machine to 7th inst	74.94	
Edwd McLaughlin late Comr of Exs Clerk hire &c	230.55	
Margt Romaine in full of award on Opens 1st St	163.57	
R Ayres filling St at Washington Market	15.62	
H. and W Cochrane bal. pavg Hudson fr Canal to Spring	158.17	
R Ferguson Acct regg Eldridge St from Stanton to north St.	130.	
[195] J Baily bal. regulg & paving Goerck St fr Grand to Delancy	57.78	
Thomas Lovett acct building Sewer in Grand	400.	
R Strong and Associates assessg for Do " "	120.	
Abr. Russell Inspectg building do do	60.	
Abr Russell Inspg building Sewer in Thompn	104.	
H Smith Regug [&] pavg South St. front of Fulton mt	599.79	
Abner Osborn for inspecting the delivy of Stone at the battery	24.88	
Wm Gibbons Wharfage of Sloops do do	8.	
G Tucker bal. for Materials Mason Work at Park fence	683.60	
G Tucker—Extra work Marble Pillars do	55.	
Robert Pettigrew bal. for a well Et Bank St	29.40	
Robert Pettigrew do " do St Johns Lane	14.76	
Jacob P Roome Supt Repairs for Repairs	535.	
Jacob P Roome do do Fire departmt	125.	
F B Winthrop Treasr City Dispensary for Vaccination department 1 year to 16 march 1822	600.	6738.49
	Balance	$323.14

Board adjourned

[196] Special Meeting In Common Council April 22nd 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Maltby Gelston	Abraham Valentine
John P Anthony	Wm H Ireland
John Bingham	Benjn Crane
Asa Mann	Chas Town
Isaac Emmons	Shivers Parker
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Gerard DePeyster
	Henry Mead

The Mayor stated that he had summoned this meeting in consequence of a necessity under the late Law respecting the ensuing Election to reappoint the Inspectors
the board accordingly proceeded to that business

[197] It having been represented that Andrew S. Norwood of the 3d Ward declined acting as Inspector his resignation was accepted and Henry E Ingraham was appointed in his place

It being also stated that Wm Alburtis of the 6th ward had removed from the city Alexander M Muir was appd in his place the Board having reappointd the inspectors lately appointed the follows constituted the inspection of the several wards for the ensuing election

1st ward Edmund Smith Garrit Storm Peter De Milt
2nd " Thomas A Ronalds: James Benedict Jno Sutphen
3d " Daniel D Smith, John C Hamilton H. E. Ingraham
4th " John Targee—George H. Cheesman Benjn Jessup
5th " Wm M Carter, Rudolph Bunner—Ezra Weeks
6th " Richard L Walker Nics C Everett. Alexr M Muir
7th " David Lyon James P Allaire Wm L Coe
8th " Stuart F Randolph Samuel M Thompson Jacob Aims
9th " Jacobus Dyckman John. Doughty Thomas Miller
10th " Reuben Clark John Fream, Thomas Gibbons.

A letter was received from Chas E Dudley Mayor of the City of Albany addressed to his honor the Mayor of this City [198] acknowledging the receipt of $121 47/100 transmitted to him being for one half of the expense incurred by the survey of the Post road between this City and Albany & returning him thanks for the attention of the Common Council which was ordered to be filed

The City Inspector reported ordinances for correction of Nuisances which were passed. Vizt.

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

No 1	Mrs Farr	Lessee	No	21	Augustus St	A Privy
2	Mrs Farr	"		23	"	"
3	J Casey	Occupant		66	Warren	"
4	C Ratley	"		68	Do	"
5	A Stanton	"		22	Canal	"
6	P *Sivan* [Swan]	"			Canal	"
7	A Johnson	"		36	Chapel	"
8	M Bancker	"		44	Leonard	"
9	J Hayes	"		218	Church	"
10	Wm Diguan	"		158	Bancker	"
11	S Churchill	"		72	Forsyth	"

(Signed) Geo. Cumming City Inspr

[199] The Market Committee to whom had been referred the remonstrance of the Butchers of Fly market against erecting at the present time a Market at Old Slip presented the following report

The Market Committee to whom had been referred the petition of sundry Butchers occupying Stands at Fulton market praying the Corporation to suspend the building of a Market at Old Slip

Report

that in conformity to the duty assigned them they have had the subject under consideration but they do not perceive that the reasons set forth by the petitioners are such as to warrant your Committee to recommend to the board to rescind the resolution heretofore passed by the Common Council for the erection of the above market in as much as the petitioners well knew at the time of Leasing their Stalls that the Superintendant of Repairs was directed to cause a part of Fly market to be taken down and removed to Old Slip for the [200] accomodation of the inhabitants residing in the lower parts of the City who by the removal of Fly market are subject to great inconvenience in procuring their daily supplyes particularly the poorer classes of Citizens and Boatmen of whom there are many who depend upon their daily labor for the support of their families who cannot spare the requisite time to go to Fulton Market without serious loss

Your Committee therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution for the consideration of the board

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

Signed H. J. Wyckoff
Chas Town
Isaac Emmons
Maltby Gelston.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[201] His Honour the Mayor stated that agreably to the resolutions adopted in relation to the Lease of the Hoboken ferry to the Messrs Stevens it was incumbent on them to place on Said ferry previous to receiving a Lease for the same such a Steam boat as should be approved of by the Corporation that the Messrs Stevens had compleated a boat and they had requested of him to invite the members of the Common Council to view the operation of said Boat this day which invitation was accepted and the Board adjourned for the purpose of making the visit agreably to the invitation

[202] In Common Council April 29th 1822

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Maltby Gelston	Abraham Valentine
John P Anthony	Wm H Ireland
John Bingham	Benjn Crane
Robert McQueen	Chas Town
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Isaac Emmons	Wm Thorn
George B Thorp	Francis Cooper
Judah Hammond	Gerard De Peyster
	Henry Mead

The Minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Special Meeting were read and approved

A Petition of John Tonnely for relief from a tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

[203] A petition from the Masters of Market boats frequenting Peck Slips complaining that the Lessee of Public Slips permits Coasting vessels to lie in said Slip and requesting the Easterly Side of Said Slip may be appropriated to Market Boats was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Marcus Alden for appointment as inspector of Lumber was referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition of Richard Bell for relief from a penalty incurred by removing a Frame building through the Streets was referred to the Police Committee with powers

A petition from Higgins & Mesaroles Contractors for Street Manure requesting information as to whom the law makes it the duty to Sweep before Public Places which are occupied and also whose

duty it is to give notice to the inhabitants of the time when the Streets are to be swept was read and referred to the Street Committee

[204] A petition of Parker & Lovett Lessees of room No 8 Fulton Market requesting permission to assign the Lease to Samuel Sawyer who signified his willingness to accept of the same was read and referred to the Finance Committee with Powers

A Petition from the neighbours of Thomas Hodgkinson praying that the trees planted by him in front of his house in Nassau Street might be permitted to remain was read and laid for the present on the table

A petition of Chas Steele for permission to take about a thousand load of Earth from Scammel Street was read and referred to the Street Committee with powers

A petition of Phelps & Peck to be permitted to have a small box at the side of their Store for the purpose of keeping therein Sheet Lead was read and referred to the Street [205] committee

A Memorial from Smith & Townsend Lessees of the Public Slips & Elihu Bunker stating the former have entered into an agreement with the latter to Lease to him for the accommodation of his Steam boat the lower birth on the West side of Fulton Slip & praying the Sanction of the Corporation thereto was referred to the Market committee

A Petition of Chas Thurber for license as a Butcher wand for Stall No 12 Spring St Market was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Leonard Smith for Stall No 15 Catharine Market was referred to the Same Committee

A Petition from R. M. Livingston & others praying that Broome Street may be opened from Varick to Greenwich St and also from Varick to Hudson Street was read and referred to the St Committee.

[206] A petition of Joseph Newton & others that Hubert Street may be paved Westward of Hudson Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance against paving Clark Street was presented & laid on the table—It was afterwards called up and was together with an ordinance reported by the St Commr referred to the Street Committee

A Petition for paving Wooster Street from Spring Street to Houston St. was referred to the Same Committee

A Petition of William Miles to be relieved from an assessment for tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A petition of John R Livingston praying further time for filling

in two certain blocks of Ground lying between Rivington and Stanton Streets was read and referred to the Street Committee

[207] A Letter from Joseph Hawkins of Philadelphia stating that a Mr Waldron Beach had invented a Submarine Steam boat which might be advantageously employed in Destroying Ships of War that might have hostile intentions against the City and recomending it to the Attention of the Corporation was read and referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences

A petition from the Trustees of Free School Society in New York requesting permission to sink a well at their own expence in Mott Street was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward and St Commr with authority

A petition from Francis Raingeard for relief from a tax assessed on him was read & referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Letter from Jeromus Johnson suggesting the propriety of procuring E Southworth's Hydrometer for proving Domestic Liquors to be placed in the Mayors office as a Standard for the Public, was read and referred to the commee on Arts & Sciences

[208] A petition of Stephen Richard for relief from a personal tax assessed on him in two wards was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A petition of Samuel F Rockwell for relief from a personal tax assessed on him was referred to the committee on Assessments

A petition of John Maloney for relief from a fine for acting as a hand cartman without license was referred to the Police Committee

A petition of Francis Passman for renewal to him of a Butchers license and a Station in the washington Market was referred to the Market Committee

A Memorial from the Butchers of the Fulton market stating that it had been represented that they would consider it as injustice to them were the Corporation to depart from their resolution of leasing at Public [208A] auction the Stalls of the other markets they begged leave to assure the Corporation that they should not consider the departure from that rule as injurious to them but on the other hand recommended the leasing of the Stalls of the other markets as the fairest and most equitable mode of disposing of them which was read and for the present laid on the table

A petition of Wm Donovan in behalf of Wm Power who had been informed against for selling liquor without license and praying a remission of the penalty was read and referred to the Committee on Police

A Petition of John Heath for permission to construct a vault in Leonard Street of James C Roosevelt for two vaults in Pearl St and of Elbert Anderson for 4 vaults in Mercer St were read and referred to the Ald. & Assist of the ward and the St Commr to grant on the usual terms.

[209] A petition that Carmine Street may be regulated and paved from Herring to Hudson St was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John C Stevens and Robert L. Stevens Lessees of Hoboken ferry stating that the foot of Barclay Street adjoining the ferry Stairs is unpaved and in a condition that renders the passage to the boat unsafe and inconvenient and praying the same may be paved was read & referred to the Street committee with powers

A letter from Saml Reynolds was received Stating that a woman the widow of Thomas F Rodman deceased was living at N° 24 Batavia Street in extreme indigence and also very ill was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House

A letter was received from Thomas A Ronalds inspector of election of the 2nd ward resigning his Appointment which was [210] accepted and Samuel St John was appointed in his place

A petition of John Seaman for appointment to the office of Collector of Arrearages of Taxes was referred to the Committee on Applications

The following were appointed Fireman the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies.

Hook and Ladder N° 3.

Samuel Archer Grocer corr Hudson & charlton St. vice Robert Forsyth Resigned.

Robert L Jaques Grocer 23 Vandam vice Gilbert J Hunt Resigned

Fire Engine N° 19

James B Stewart accountant 51 Mott Street vice Thomas Foster Resigned

N° 21

Israel Suydam Mechanic Ferry Corr of Cliff vice John Whaley Resigned

N° 24

John Carr Junr Cabinet maker Front St. vice Peter Wright Resigned

N° 28

Alexander M C Smith Accountant Broadway Vice George Stanton Resigned

[211] The Street Commissioner Stated that Arthur Burtis had stated to him that it was impracticable for him now to act as assessor in the ordinances for paving Fulton St Water St & Front St to which he had been appointed previous to his appointment as Superintᵗ of the Alm House and the Street Commissioner recommended that John Targee be appointed in his place which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The Street Commissioner also presented an Ordinance for paving Clark St from Broom to Spring Street which together with the remonstrance against paving the Street was referred to the Street Committee

The following Resolution was presented and adopted

Resolved that the Steam boat which has been exhibited to the members of this Board by John C Stevens and Robert L Stevens as the one which they [212] intend to place [on] the Ferry from Barclay Street to Hoboken is approved of by this board as a Boat fully complying with the Report of the Ferry commᵉᵉ upon the Subject of granting a lease to said John C Stevens and Robert L Stevens.

The Counsel submitted a lease of the Hoboken ferry to John C Stevens and Robert L Stevens and recommended that it be referred to the Ferry Committee with power to alter and correct the Lease and that the Mayor be authorised to execute it when approved by them during the recess of the Board Which was approved and it was referred accordingly*

He also presented for execution a lease of the Public Wharves and Slips to Thomas R Smith and John K Townsend which was referred to the Finance Committee with authority to direct the execution in the recess of the Board

He also presented a communication stating that Isaac Valentine Lessee of Hay Scales at Gouverneurs Slip had refused payment [213] of the fees on issuing the lease which was referred to the Finance Committee to give such directions as they should judge proper in the premises.

He also submitted the following Communication received from the commissioners of Estimate on 34ᵗʰ Street

The Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed by a

* Marginal note reads *He also presented an Assessment of Ebenezer Wilson's Interest in a Lease granted by the Corporation to him & Andrew Wilson to Nathl Davis & Asa H. Curtis which was directed to be duly executed.*—ED.

rule of the Supreme Court of this State on the 14th inst. of January last for the purposes and matters mentioned therein

Respectfully Represent

That they have examined the ground to be taken for said Street as well as that to be assessed and from the peculiar situation of the same they are of opinion that the assessment on the property to be benefitted will be oppressive to the owners thereof and by no means yield a correspondent advantage or benefit to them

in behalf of the Commissioners

(Signed) Cornelius Bogert.

[214] Wherupon it was resolved that the Counsel apply to the Supreme Court to stay all further proceedings in the case And the Clerk of the Common Council was directed to give notice to the Commissrs that it was the wish of the Common Council that they Should make no further Proceedings in the case.

He also presented a petition to the Supreme Court for the Appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for enlarging and improving Maiden lane which was directed to be duly executed.

He also presented Leases of Lots heretofore sold for taxes which have not been redeemed which were directed to be duly executed See Page [257] for List.

The City Inspector presented Ordinances for the correction of Nuisances, which were passed Viz

No 1	J Corwin	Occupant	28 Park		a Privy
2	W Marshall	Owner	47 Catharine St		"
3	J Agnew	"	313 Water St		"
4	Mrs Glover	"	186 Mott St		A Lot
5	Co Rhind	Agent	Dey St		Do

(Signed) Geo Cumming
City Inspector

[215] The Comptroller presented an account from the Police office the principal part of which being for law books purchased by them he deemed it necessary to submit it to the Board for their approbation Whereupon it was referred to the Finance Committee

He also presented a list of the Stalls in the Fulton Market which were vacated and on which the rents reserved had not been paid which was referred to the Market Committee

His Honor the Mayor laid before the board certified copies of the law passed at the last session of the Legislature entitled an act in addition to the Act for the more effectual prevention of fires in the

City of New York which was directed to be published in the papers employed by the Corporation

Also the Act to regulate the public [216] Ferries between the City of New York and the Island of Nassau which was referred to the Law Committee

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the Petition of W^m & John Agnew & Samuel L Mitchill reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of William Agnew John Agnew and Samuel L Mitchell praying for permission to extend their pier which lies fronting their property on South Street near Roosevelt Street [to] the permanent line Report

That they are of opinion that it is highly expedient that a pier Should be erected at the place mentioned in said petition and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution to wit

Resolved that the proprietors of the Bulk head fronting the lots granted by the Corporation to John Agnew Samuel S Mitchell and Sylvanus Miller be permitted at any time within one year to extend a pier thirty feet in width [217] from the end of the pier erected in front of Said premises and on a line at right Angles with South Street such distance into the East river and in such manner as may be approved of by the Street Commissioner and also to receive the wharfage of the same upon condition that the Corporation may at any time appropriate to their own use or otherwise the Easterly half of said Pier upon paying one third part of the then value of the same which shall be estimated by making a reasonable deduction from the sum which the said Pier may cost for the wear and tear of the same & estimating the balance as the then value of the said pier

Signed Isaac Emmons.
J Hammond
Asa Mann
M Gelston

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[218] The Same Committee on the Petition of Benj^a G Minturn & others reported as follows

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin G Minturn & others requesting permission to sink and build a Pier or wharf in front of their granted premises between Dover Street and Roosevelt Street

Report that your Committee see no objections to the granting their request and therefore offer their Opinion in the following resolution

Resolved that the request of petitioners be granted provided they conform to *to* such directions in the Building said Pier as shall be given by the Street Commissioner

Signed Isaac Emmons
J Hammond
Asa Mann
M. Gelston

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[219] The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition *o*for paving Broome Street reported as follows.

The Street committee to whom was referred the petition of George Lorillard and others to have Broome Street paved from Thompson to Mercer Street

Report,

that they are informed that a considerable portion of Broome Street embraced in the petition is claimed as individual property and has never been ceded to the corporation as Street—therefore your Committee are of opinion that the Street ought not to be paved untill a formal Cession is made of the same to the Public—And Accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution

Resolved

That it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petition inasmuch as a part of Broome [220] Street has not been ceded to the Public

Signed Francis Cooper
H J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
W^m^ M Ireland
George B Thorp.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Cornelius Dubois reported Viz^t^

The Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Cornelius Dubois for permission to enclose a part of the First Avenue

Report that in the opinion of your Committee the Corporation have not the power to dispose of the Grounds appropriated for Streets and Avenues or to make any alteration in the line of their direction they

therefore respectfully recommend the following resolution Resolved that the request of the Petitioner cannot be granted

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
[221] Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Richard Berrian reported Vizt

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Richard Berrian

Report that they have viewed the premises and are of opinion that no evil will result to the public by granting his request but inasmuch as the petitioner does not propose building at the present on the premises your committee think it inexpedient to grant his request and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is not expedient to grant the prayer of the petitr

(Signed) F Cooper
H. J. Wyckoff
Asa Mann
George B Thorp.

[222] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of David Dunham & others reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of David Dunham and others praying that First Street may be closed at the first Avenue

Report

That your committee are of the opinion that any interference on the part of the Corporation would be improper in this Case inasmuch as it would Shut up a direct communication from the Bowery to the East River and thereby materially lessen the value of all the property between the Bowery and the first Avenue Therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

Signed Francis Cooper
Asa Mann
Wm H Ireland
[223] George B Thorp
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Market Committee on the Petition of Jacob Seidler for License as a butcher reported in his favour and he was directed to be licensed accordingly They also presented a report & resolution respecting the Mayors licensing such Butchers as should be recommended by the Market Committee which was postponed and directed to be printed for the use of the members.

The Finance committee on the Petition of Henry A Rider reported as follows,

The finance committee to whom was referred the memorial of Henry A Rider proposing to hire for a term of years Lot number 14 at the intersection of Fulton and West Streets

Respectfully Report

That although [224] Mr Rider is the only person who has made a formal application to lease the *the* lot in question yet that several other persons have expressed their desire to have an opportunity of bidding for it and as this is a lot of great value and the inner part of the slip in front of Washington Market has become so shallow that it will soon require to be filled out to the permanent line and inasmuch as the Fish Market in front of Washington Market, is so much decayed that it will last but a short time longer: it appears manifest to your committee that the time is come for taking some order with respect to the Lot in question

They therefore recommend the following resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised and desired to lease at public Auction Lot number fourteen situate at the Corner of Fulton St. and West Street for twenty one years with the right of one renewal of 21 years more upon the usual terms of such grants the Lessee to pay all taxes and to enter into the usual covenants for building and Repairing Streets and Bulkheads and the like

[225] Resolved that a notice of leasing the Said lot at Auction be put up upon the premises at least three days previous thereto and also that a copy of the above resolution be sent to Mr Henry A Rider

(Signed) J Hammond
H J Wyckoff
Chas Town
B. Crane
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same committee to [whom] was referred the report of the Counsel on the Sale of a lot of ground to Abraham Herring reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Counsel setting forth that "On the first day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and twenty a certain piece of ground in the Eighth ward was sold to Abraham Herring for [226] the sum of Seventy two dollars and Eighty Nine cents for the term of fifteen years to satisfy an assessment upon it for opening Fourth Street that the ground was afterwards ceded to the Common Council and that Mr Herring is willing to relinquish his right thereto on receiving back the principal sum paid by him thereon together with interest thereon at the rate of fourteen per cent per annum which allowance as it does not exceed the amount allowed by the Statute in Such cases made and provided is deemed reasonable by the Committee—the following resolution is recommended

Resolved that on Mr Abraham Herring transferring or relinquishing to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York all his interest in or right to receive a title to the land in question the sum of Seventy two dollars and eighty nine cents together with interest thereon at the rate of fourteen per cent per annum from the first day March in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty [227] two be paid to him

(Signed) J Hammond
Henry J Wyckoff
Chas Town
B Crane
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Wm L Simers reported which report was referred back to the Committee with powers

The Same Committee on the petition of Alexander H Mooney reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of Alexander H Mooney praying that his accounts with the Common Council might be settled beg leave to Report

that there is due to the memorialist the sum of Six hundred ninety one dolla[r]s and sixty seven Cents of which sum [228] Two hundred and eighty three dollars seventy one cents is due to him from the Common Council for assessments upon the Corporation—That the collections have been so long delayed that in the opinion of your committee the balance due to the memorialist ought to be paid and steps immediately taken for the collection of such parts of it as are to be

paid to individuals That two hundred and twenty four dollars of the above sum is due to the memorialist for paving Roosevelt Street. One hundred and twelve dollars sixty three cents of which is assessed upon the Corporation Two hundred and ninety four dollars of the first above mentioned Sum is due to the memorialist for regulating Front Street from Dover to Roosevelt Street of which One hundred seventy dollars eight cents is assessed to the corporation and the residue of the sum first above mentioned being One hundred Seventy three dollars sixty seven cents is due to the memorialist for regulating Lispenard Street as by the Schedule signed by the Street commissioner hereunto annexed will appear the following resolution [229] is recommended

Resolved that the sum of six hundred ninety one dollars sixty seven cents be paid to Alexander H Mooney in full for the services above mentioned and in full of all demands

Resolved that the proper officers take the necessary steps for the collection of the unpaid assessments on the above mentioned streets to wit Lispenard front and Roosevelt Streets

Signed J Hammond
H J Wyckoff
Chas Town
B Crane
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Remonstrating of Philetas Havens & Peter G Hart reported as follows.

The finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Philetas Havens and Peter G Hart alledging that the building of the Fulton market [230] has worked a great injury to their stores situated opposite to the Market in the same Street by reason that it has occasioned the Street to be raised higher than the floor of their respective houses and claiming damages for the Consequent supposed injury Respectfully Report

That the Street in question was previous to the building of the Market much too low and insecure from the incursions of the tide, The raising it is therefore a great benefit and security to the Stores of the memorialists by securing them against the influx of the water and if the premises in question were raised in proportion to the present elevation of the Street it would encrease the convenience of the premises and expense would be small in proportion to the additional security and comfort

They further report that the building of the Fulton Market was a thing earnestly sought for by the people of that Neighbourhood as a measure of encreasing the value of their property and the Committee do not well see how the [231] memorialists could be injured by a measure which is so great a benefit to the whole neighbourhood And which in the opinion of the Committee is a great benefit to the memorialists also

The following resolution is recommended Resolved that the prayer of the Memorialists ought not to be granted

(Signed) J Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Chas Town
B Crane
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on the petition of Hart & Belden reported as follows

The Committee on Public Lands and places to whom was referred the petition of Hart & Belden representing the yard attached to the Watch house N° 32 Eldridge Street as being in a filthy & offensive State & having become highly offensive to its occupants

[232] Report that they have Examined the Premises and find it in a disagreable and offensive condition & ought to be corrected without delay. The yard is about twelve inches below the level of the Yards adjoining Consequently is Subject to a large proportion of the waters which fall from those yards

The committee can devise no better plan to abate the nuisance than to recommend that the yard be filled up to the height of the adjoining yards with good and wholesome earth Also that a Cispool be sunk of Sufficient dimensions to absorb its water

They therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be authorised to cause the yard of the Watch house N° 22 Eldridge Street to be filled up with good and wholesome earth to the height of the adjoining yards & also that Cespool be sunk and sufficient dimensions to absorb its water

Abraham Valentine
(Signed) Isaac Emmons
Robert McQueen.

[233] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications to whom was referred the petition of Christopher Rider reported as follows.

The Committee on the petition of Christopher Rider praying to be appointed a measurer of Grain producing a commission formerly given him by the Hon the Corporation of the City beg leave to Report

The following resolution

Resolved that Christopher Rider be appointed a measurer of Grain

(Signed) John Bingham
M Gelston
Gerard De Peyster

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and he was appointed a Measurer of Grain accordingly

[234] The Same Committee on the Petition of Robert Nevin reported as follows.

The committee on the petition of Robert Nevin praying to be appointed a measurer of Lumber beg leave to report the following resolution

Resolved that Robert Nevin be appointed a measurer of Lumber

Signed John Bingham
M Gelston
Gerard De Peyster

Which was approved and he was appointed a measurer ot Lumber accordingly.

The Same Committee on the petition of Thomas Foote reported as follows

The petition of Thomas Foote praying to be Appointed a measurer of lime beg leave to mention from information received they beleive him to be competent to perform the duties of the Same and therefore submit the following resolution to the board for approbation

Resolved that Thomas Foote be appointed one of the Inspectors of Lime

Signed John Bingham
[*234] M Gelston
Gerard Depeyster

Which was approved and he was appointed a measurer of Lime accordingly.

* Clerk's error in numbering.—ED.

The Committee on Public offices to whom was referred a memorial of the Cartman praying that a person might be appointed to carry into effect the law relative to Cartmen presented a report and ordinance agreeably thereto the consideration of which were postponed and were directed to be printed for the use of the members

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Several petitions of Jesse Leverich Junr Robert Wilson and Westervelt & Ackerman reported as follows.

The Police committee to whom was referred the several petitions of Jesse Leverich Junr Robert Wilson and Westervelt and Ackerman [235] Respectfully Report

that the above named petitioners have all incurred the penalty imposed for selling Strong liquors without license They all State that they have done so through ignorance and not intentionally and seek relief.

The Committee are not satisfied with the excuses asssigned by the Petitioners and cannot feel themselves authorised to recommend their case to the indulgence of the Board they offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the above named petitioners cannot be granted

(Signed) Thomas Bolton
Geo B Thorp
Henry Mead
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of John H Remsen reported as follows

The Police committee to [236] whom the petition of John H Remsen was referred

Respectfully Report

That the facts stated by Mr Remsen are that he some time since entered into an obligation at the Police office that Mary Ann Tallman should depart the city and not return within a limited time that he has been prosecuted on his recognisance upon the ground that the above named person did return within the time limited that it was believed permission was given by the Magistrates to the said Mary Ann to return and that She was informed thereof and returned accordingly that She would not have returned had She not supposed such permission had been given

The committee have had this case and the case of Mary Ann Tallman several times before them They have enquired into this subject very particularly and are satisfied that as far as relates to Mr Remsens [237] agency in the return of the said Mary Ann before the specified time they cannot charge him with improper conduct. Mr. Remsen in causing said person to return to the city acted upon information which he had good reason to believe correct.

Although your committee are by no means satisfied that with the facts connected with this case and that of the above named Mary Ann Tallman yet they do not think the penalty in this instance ought to be enforced against the petitioner he having acted as he supposed with the approbation of the Police office Magistrate and not with any intention as far as your Committee can perceive of evading or violating the Law Besides this the judgement of the Law has already been enforced against the said Mary Ann Under these circumstances the committee think that relief may be extended to the Petitioner without injury to the public interest and they beg leave to offer to the board the following resolution

Resolved that all proceedings against the said recognisance be discontinued [238] on payment of costs of prosecuting said Suits against him and that against Said Mary Ann Tallman

(Signed) Thomas Bolton
George B Thorp
Henry Mead
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Edward Hilton reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom [was] referred the petition of Edward Hilton in which he states that he resides in the 10th ward and has his store in the 7th ward that he has been assessed and paid personal tax in both wards and prays that the amount paid by him in the 7th ward may be refunded

Report

That on the examination your Committee are satisfied that the claim made by the *claim made* [239] *by the* petitioner is just and reasonable and ought to be granted and for that purpose respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved That a warrant be reported at the next meeting of the Board for $11.78/100 in favor of Edward Hilton being the amount of

personal tax erroneously paid by him in the 7th ward for the year 1821

Signed Charles Town
John P Anthony
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton
John Bingham

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and a warrant ordered to be reported agreably thereto

The Same Committee on the petition of Peter Bannan reported as follows.

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Peter Bannan praying to be relieved from paying the tax assessed on his personal property in the 1st Ward for 1821

Report. That they have had [240] this subject under consideration and are of opinion that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner he having failed in procuring from the Assessors the certificate invariably demanded by the Committee in Similar Cases and respectfully Submit the following resolution Resolved

That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed Chas Town
John P Anthony
Wm Thorn
Thomas Bolton
John Bingham

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same committee on the petition of Tobias Tobias reported Vizt

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Tobias Tobias praying to be relieved (in part) from the Tax assessed on his personal property in the 5th ward for the year [241] 1821

Report that on examination it appears that the assessors valued the petitioners personal property at $10 000 and that during the time allowed by Law to make alterations the petitioner did call on the Assessors & satisfied them that he ought not to have been rated at more than $2000 and they agreed to make the alteration but neglected to do so in consequence of which he has been called on to pay *on* the Sum originally assessed on him

The Committee being Satisfied of the correctness of the above Statement are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 5th ward be instructed to receive personal Tax from Tobias Tobias on $2000 in lieu of $10.000, and that he return the balance in the list of errors and insolvencies of Said Ward

Signed Chas Town
John P Anthony
Wm Thorn
Thomas Bolton
John Bingham

[242] which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of David Williamson reported Vizt

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of David Williamson praying to be relieved from paying the Tax assessed on his property in the 1st ward for 1821

Report

That it appears from documents presented to the Committee that the petitioner is an Artillerist in the 2nd Regiment of N. Y. State Artillery and as such is entitled by Law to have $500 deducted from the amount at which his personal property is valued, It also appears by the annexed certificate of the Assessors that in making out their assessment they were at the time unacquainted with the circumstance of David Williamsons being an Artillerist and of course did not make the [243] deduction to which he was entitled the Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner is just and reasonable and ought to be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 1st ward be instructed to receive from David Williamson personal tax on $500 in lieu of $1000 and that he return the balance in the list of errors & insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
John P Anthony
Wm Thorn
Thomas Bolton
John Bingham.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The following resolutions were presented

Resolved that the Commissioners of Estimate and assessment who may be appointed by the Supreme Court to estimate the benefit and advantage on the one hand and the loss and injury on the other of the proposed [244] alteration of Maiden Lane be requested to take into consideration the benefits resulting to the proprietors of Lands fronting on Maiden lane and lying in its vicinity by the Common Council laying open the Common lands lately covered by the Fly market for the purpose of improving and benefitting Maiden Lane and the vicinity by opening its approaches to the East river and also the injury resulting to the public by laying open for the use of that Street the said ground lately covered by the Fly market and when the said Commissioners shall have been appointed that the Clerk of the board furnish them with a copy of this resolution

Resolved that no assessment be laid nor any proceedings under the Common Council inconsistent with the foregoing resolution be taken had or continued respecting the said land lately covered by the Fly market

the question being taken on agreeing to the first resolution the same [245] was carried in the affirmative The Ayes and Noes having been required by Alderman Mann the members voted as follows.

Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald. Wyckoff Gelsten Emmonds Hammond Messrs Town Ireland Parker Cooper Mead 10

Negative Ald Anthony McQueen Mann Thorp Messrs Bolton Crane Thorn Valentine 8

Mr Mann gave notice of reconsideration the question was taken on the Second resolution and carried in the affirmative.

Assistant Alderman Town after some observations moved that the votes given upon the report of the Street Committee the petition of Thomas Hodgkinson whereby the said report was negatived be rescinded the question being taken thereon it was carried in the affirmative the Ayes and Noes having been called by Ald. Mann the members voted as follows.

Affirmative Ald Wyckoff Gelston Emmons Thorp and Hammond Messrs Bolton Valentine Ireland [246] Messrs Town and Cooper 12.

Negative Ald. Anthony McQueen *McQueen* and Mann Messrs Crane Thorn Mr Mead 6

The report of the committee was then called up and read (see page 176 for report) the question being taken on agreeing to the same it passed in the affirmative

The following resolution was presented and agreed to

Resolved that the Superintendant of repairs cause the Pier at the Westside of James Slip, the pier at the West side of Fulton market and also the pier at the foot of Duane Street to be repaired

Alderman Hammond presented a Law to repeal the law entitled " a Law to regulate the Manufacture and Sale of Bread passed 27th December 1821 & to revive the Law entitled " A Law for establishing the assize and for regulating the Inspection of Bread passed Decr 4th 1820—which being read was referred to the comee on Public office with a request that they would report at the next meeting of the board

[247] Alderman Wyckoff presented a resolution directing the Market committee to carry into effect the resolution passed on 21st of January last which resolution was in the words following Resolved that the Street Commissioner with the advice of the Street Committee be instructed to arrange alter and improve the several markets of the City (Fulton Market excepted) in such manner that the several stands therein may be rented at public auction at the expiration of the present term for which the Butchers stands are leased

The memorial of the Butchers of Fulton market presented this evening was called up and read the question being taken on the resolution proposed by Alderman Wyckoff the same was carried in the affirmative Ald Mann having called the Ayes and Noes the members voted as follows.

Ayes Mr. Recorder Ald. Wyckoff Gelston Anthony McQueen and Mann Mr. Bolton Valentine Crane Parker and Thorn 11

Noes Ald. Emmons Thorp Hammond Mr Ireland Town Cooper Mead 7.

[248] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 15th inst	$323.14
Receᵈ for tax of 1821 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10, wards	45430.
" Streets	1733.20
" Rents	1645.35
" Justices Courts	679.96
" Wells and Pumps	238.45
" Police office	280.14
" Excise	325.
" Mayoralty fees	171.25
" fines from Sheriff	89.
	50.915.49

35 Accounts audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	$1002.75	
Hibberd and Clark Do 2nd "	645.75	
Bleakly and Brower " 3d "	435.75	
Wm Hoghland keeper of penitentiary and Assistants 1 Qr Salary 1st of May	537.50	
R Graves Street Comr 1 Qr 15th april	375.	
J Morton Clk of Com. Council 1 Qr 1st may	300.	
G. B. Smith Asst St Comr 1 Qr 15 april	250.	
John Fleming Treasr 1 Qr 19 "	100.	
Isaac Asten sweeper Fulton Markt 1 mo 1 may	53.59	
Samuel Hutchings St Inspector " "	52.50	
Jonathan Pinckney Do "	52.50	
Abr. Ackerman Do "	52.50	
[249] Asten and Cochrane Messengers	52.	
Wm J Waldron Asst city Inspector	45.50	
Obadiah Ayres Do " "	45.50	
Geo Mills Assist. Board of Health	45.50	
Benjn Hicks do " "	45.50	
O Ayres removing nuisance 6 mo 1 may	20.33	
Thomas Barnum Work at mud machine 21 april	105.54	
Wm G Bull 1 Qr rent Justices court 1, 2, 3 wards 1 may	31.25	
Barker and Hopkins 29 casks of Oil	1127.22	
G Snethen Supt lights lamps 1 mo. 1st may	685.28	
R Provoost repr lamps	94.21	
Daniel Biggs work at Lamps 1 Qr	33.59	
Tucker and Woodruff act. builr Sewer Thompson St from Canal to Spring	1300.	
R Strong and associts assessing for do	300.	
J Culbert bal. pavr 1st St, fr Bowery to 1st Avenue	256.16	
Tucker and Woodruff altering and repr minetto Sewer	280.88	
Tucker and Woodruff Repairing Sewer in Canal St	54.56	
P. Hawes and Asstts Commrs charge of expens openr White St	109.	
David Reeves 1st payt on Well in Lewis St	66.	
Benjn Birdsall amount paid for St Vault not used	51.75	
J Fleming Treasr to pay divd City Stock 1. Qr 1st may	18.500.	
Richard Varick Two bonds payable 1st of may 1822	23.540.	50.752.99
	Balance	$162.50

Board adjourned

[250] Special meeting In Common Council May 4th 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Maltby Gelston	Abraham Valentine
John P Anthony	Wm H Ireland
John Bingham	Benjamin Crane
Asa Mann	Charles Town
Isaac Emmons	Shivers Parker
George B Thorp	Wm Thorn
Judah Hammond	Francis Cooper
	Gerard De Peyster

The Mayor stated that he had summoned the board at the request of the market committee

A petition was presented from the Butchers of the Fulton market stating that when they leased their present stands they did it under [251] an impression that they would possess decided advantages over the other markets but experience has shown their opinions were erroneous that they paid prices which to most of them must prove ruinous—they therefore pray that the rents may be reduced which being read was referred to the Market committee.

Mr. Ireland presented a resolution which having been *having been* amended was referred to the Market committee & was as follows Resolved that the Market committee be and they are hereby directed to rent the stalls in the several markets in this city (Fulton market excepted) at Private contract and that they be requested to enquire into the expediency of granting the prayer of the petition of the butchers of Fulton market and report thereon to the board

The Market committee on the petition of Leonard Smith for License as a Butcher reported as follows

The Market committee to whom was [252] *was* referred the petition of Leonard Smith praying to be licensed as a butcher

Report that from the recommendation presented to your Committee they are induced to offer the following resolution

Resolved that Leonard Smith be licensed as a butcher

Signed H J Wyckoff
Isaac Emmons
M Gelston
Charles Town.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Chas Thurber reported as follows

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Thurber praying to be licensed as a butcher Report a resolution in favor of the petitioner

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted

Signed H J Wyckoff
Isaac Emmons
M. Gelston
Charles Town

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[253] The Same Committee on the petition of Francis Passman for a butchers license reported as Vizt

The Market committee on the petition of Francis Passman formerly one of the butchers of this city praying that he may be again licensed Report that they can see no reason why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted they beg leave therefore to offer the following resolution

Resolved that Francis Passman be licensed as a butcher

Signed H J Wyckoff
Isaac Emmons
M Gelston
Chas Town

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

A Petition of Lewis and Joseph Webb holding a grant under the Corporation was received stating that they have spent large sums of money in making Clarkson and West Streets agreably to the ordinances of the Corporation but by extraordinary regulation they have been deprived of the use of those grounds and praying relief was referred to the Street committee with power to grant relief to the petitioners

[254] A Remonstrance from the inhabitants residing in the vicinity of Peck Slip and also one from Owners and masters of vessells frequenting the same against granting the petition of the masters of Market boats requesting that the Easterly side of Peck Slip may be appropriated to market boats was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

The following communication was presented *was presented* by the St. Commissioner

The Street Commissioner asks leave respectfully to inform the honorable the *the* Common Council that in conformity with instructions given him [he] entered into contract with Alexander H Mooney on the 13th of October 1821 to regulate and pave Fulton Street from Water St to the River and which was to be compleated on or before the 20th of November following That owing to circumstances not within the control of the contractor the work was only partially finished by the time agreed on that the work was again [255] entered upon on the opening of the present season and a hope was entertained that it would be speedily compleated

It is with extreme regret and mortification that the undersigned has to state that the said work is not yet finished and that for the want of ability or disposition on the part of the contractor very little has been done for some time past although the weather has been remarkably favorable and he incessantly urged thereto

The undersigned would respectfully suggest the urgent necessity of having the work immediately completed the more so as the tenants of Mr Schemerhorn as well as those of your honorable body are exceedingly annoyed with the filth and Rubbish indiscriminately heaped before their respective tenements and the Public by the almost impassable State of the carriage way

Should your honorable body deem it expedient that the work should be progressed in and speedily completed the undersigned would recommend that it be placed in other hands in order that it may be completed without delay

Signed R Graves St Comr

[256] Whereupon it was resolved that the Street Commissioner be directed to employ persons at the expence of the Contractor to complete the work engaged by said Contractor to be performed

The following was presented by Aldn Wyckoff, Resolved that the Superintt of Repairs cause the Floor of Fulton Market to be caulked and that he direct that part now open between the lower sills and the floor to be closely boarded which was referred to the Market committee with powers.

Board adjourned

[257] See Page [214.]

The Counsel herewith respectively submits for execution the following Leases of Lots heretofore Sold for taxes & which have not been redeemed in pursuance of the Statute. to wit

A Lease to Robert N Waite assignee of George Waite of all that Certain piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in the 8th Ward of the City of New York Fronting on Greene Street Known and distinguished on a Map of Bayards West Farm as lot No 40 and assigned as aforesaid as belonging to Richard Chew or Marcelin being 25 feet in front on said Streets for 50 years from 1st of March 1822 Also a lease to Robert N Waite assignee of George Waite of all that certain piece or parcel of land situate lying & being in the 8th Ward of the City of New York fronting on Greene Street Known and distinguished on a map of Bayards West Farm as lot No 39 and assessed as aforesaid as belonging to William Chew or Marcelin being twenty five feet in front on said Street sold for 70 years from 1st of March 1822

Also a lease to Henry Cochrane of all that certain piece or parcel of land situate lying & being in the Sixth Ward of the City of New York bounded N Westerly by Rynder St N Easterly by Lot No 626 South Easterly by land belonging to unknown owners and South Westerly by lot No 628 sold for 220 years from 1st of March 1822

[258] Also a lease to Wm J Waldron of all that certain lot of land situate lying & being in the 10th ward of the City of New York fronting on Ridge St which said lot of land was assessed on the Assessmt roll as belonging to Schuyler Livingston sold for 20 Years from 18th of April 1822

Also a Lease to James Sivalds of all those four certain Lots situated in Cannon Streets in the 10th Ward of said City of New York which said lots are known & distinguished on a Map of the said ward by the Nos 3554. 3555, 3556, 3567. and were assessed on the Assessment Rolls as belonging to unknown persons sold for 135 years from 18th April 1822

A Lease to James Emott of all that certain Lot or land situated at No 19 Cliff Street in the Second Ward of the City of New York which said lot of land was assessed in the Assessment Roll as belonging to Nathaniel G Ingraham sold for one year from 18th of April 1822

(Signed) Ogden Edwards

[259] In Common Council May 13th 1822

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Abrpham Valentine
Thomas S Townsend	Wm H Ireland
Maltby Gelston	Benjamin Crane
John P Anthony	Charles Town
John Bingham	Shivers Parker
Robert McQueen	Wm Thorn
Asa Mann	Francis Cooper
Isaac Emmons	Gerard De Peyster
George B Thorp	Henry Mead
Judah Hammond	

The Minutes of the last meeting and of the Special meeting were read and approved

His Honor the Mayor laid before the board a return received from John L Broome esqr Clerk of the City and county of New York of the persons elected to offices [260] at the last charter election and he added that the clerk had given the persons elected notice to appear at the Common Council Chamber this day at 12 oClock to take the oaths prescribed by Charter and the laws. the following was the return.

By the return filed in my office it appears that at the late election of Charter officers for this city the persons herein after named were elected to the office opposite to their respective names

New York May 13th 1822

(signed) John L Broome Clk

First Ward	Henry J Wyckoff	Alderman
	Thomas Bolton	Assistant
	Elisha Tibbetts, John H Baily	Assessors.
	Daniel J Ebbitts	Collector
	Robert Grahame, John S Delamater	Constables
2nd Ward	[261] Elam Williams	Alderman
	Samuel B Harper	Assistant
	Wm W Fox, Jacob Drake	Assessors
	Henry W Peckwell	Collector
	Richard Ellis, Asa Eastwood	Constables

	James Fairlie	Aldermen
	Wm H Ireland	Assistant
3d ward	Isaac Grahame Nathaniel C Griffith	Assessors
	Abraham King	Collector
	Henry Grahame Simeon Van Antwerp	Constables
	James Hall	Alderman
	John D Brown	Assistant
4th ward	Peter Bonnett Lewis Hartman	Assessors
	Wm Benjamin	Collector
	James G Finn Frederick Seely	Constables
[262]	William Paulding Junr	Alderman
	Lewis Ford	Assistant
5th ward	George Sutton Leonard Warner	Assessors
	Wm Berrian	Collector
	John Striker John M Lester	Constables
	Robert McQueen	Alderman
	Shivers Parker	Assistant
6th Ward	Pearson Halstead Henry Ackerman	Assessors
	Thomas Mooney	Collector
	Thomas Parker Caleb Crane	Constables
	Asa Mann	Alderman
	Wm Thorn	Assistant
7th ward	Jameson Cox James M Tuthill	Assessors
	Morris Oakley	Collector
	Robert Phillips. Azel Conklin	Constables
[263]	Jacob B Taylor	Alderman
	David Marsh	Assistant
8th ward	Gilbert Coutant James N Wells	Assessors
	Samuel Y Clark	Collector
	Cornelius Stagg David C Hick	Constables
	Gerard De Peyster	Alderman
	Nathaniel Reynolds	Assistant
9th ward	Thomas Miller Drake Fowler	Assessors
	Jeremiah Pangburn	Collector
	Joseph Madden Stephen Heustis	Constables

	Henry Mead	Alderman
	David Seaman	Assistant
10th Ward	Gideon Ostrander Samuel Purdy	Assessors
	John Palmer	Collector
	Wm F Stevenson Nehemiah Ludlum	Constables

[264] The following were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Engine Company N° 1

Benjn Briggs Grocer West corner of Jay St
vice George Concklin resigned

John Gatter Blacksmith 348 Greenwich st
vice James Journeay resigned

N° 6

Ritter Hadly Carpenter Hubert St N° 2
vice John Phile term expired

N° 7.

Daniel Berrien Brush maker 1 Hague St
vice James Dunlap resigned

John H Clinch Brush maker 11 Rose St.
vice James Willett time expired

N° 15.

Abel K Woolsey Cabinet maker 17 Catharine
vice Harman King resigd

Isaac V Shoemaker Dock Builder 17 Stanton
vice Wm Carman term expired

N° 23

Abraham Scott. Cordwainer 348 Broadway
vice Ichabod Craig time expd.

N° 34

Samuel Lippincott machinist Herring st
vice Jacob Parsells time expired

[265] N° 1 Supply Engine

Cornelius Schenck Grocer Mulberry St
vice Richard Owens deceased

Fire wardens 5th ward

Albert Journeay Grocer Provoost St.
vice Samuel Davis time expired.

Henry M Ludlum Engine maker 14 Walker St.
vice George Ireland time expired

The Street Commissioner agreably to the report of the Street Committee presented an ordinance for paving & laying the side of Clark Street from Broome to Spring Street which was passed and Peter H. Wendover and Benjamin Prince and John Brower were appointed assessors

He also presented an Ordinance directing the respective proprietors of Lots fronting on Market field Street to make Marketfield Street between Greenwich Street & Washington to the west side of Washington Street by the first day of August next which ordinance was passed

He also presented an Assessment for paving Grand St from Mercer to Green St. which was confirmed and Noah Jarvis appd Collector

[266] The City Inspector presented the following Ordinances for correction of Nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No	1	George Lorillard	owner	61	Orchard St	A Lot
	2	Gabriel Furman	President		Suffolk St	"
	3	R Bogardus	owner		Roosevelt & Water St	"
	4	Do "	Do	15	Thames St.	"
	5	Do "	Do	20	Do	"
	6	John Hancock	Do	15	Thames St	"
	7	J Demarest	Do	20	Do	"
	8	Lewis Carter	Do	139	Greenwich	"
	9	F Depeyster	Ag	58	Cedar St	"
	10	Abijah Arden	Do	64	"	"
	11	Abr. Labagh	"	68	Cedar	"
	12	Lewis Carter	"	71	"	"
	13	Peter Kerrison	"	13	Harman	"
	14	Stephen D Beekman	"	15	Do	"
	15	Thomas Garniss	ow	17 & 19	Do	"
	16	Widow Thurston	"		Suffolk & Delancy	"
	17	Society of friends	"		Chrystie St	"
	18	Chas Mooney	"	24	Mulberry St	"
	19	Peter Ogilvie	"		Coerlaers St	"

(Signed) George Cumming City Inp

Which were passed

[267] The Comptroller presented a report stating that the Lot of ground No 14 corner of Fulton & West Street was leased at auction for 21 years to Joseph F Randolph for $1300 per annum with right of renewal &c.

He also reported that there had been no payments into the Treasury for Alien Passengers for the quarter ending the 1st inst. which was directed to be filed

He also reported that he had received from the treasurer an account of Cash received into the treasury from the 1st of November to 1st instant that he has compared the same with the books in his office and finds it correct and that the accts of the Commissioners of the Sinking fund for six months to the 1st instant was also correct, which was directed to be filed

He also presented the following report

The Chairman of the Committee of Repairs and the Comptroller respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of Jacob P Roome Superintendant [267A] of Repairs from the 9th of May 1821 to the 3d of May 1822 and find that he has received by warrants from the Corporation.....	$35.828.63
for sundry articles Sold by him.....	246.42
balance due Corporation on last settlement and now credited.....	22.30
	36.097.35
He has paid agreably to vouchers produced 302 Accounts amount..	36.089.21
Balance due Corporation 3d May 1822.....	$8.14

(Signed) Wm Thorn Chan
G. N. Bleecker Compr

Which was directed to be filed

The committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the memorial of the Richmond Turnpike and Nautilus Steam boat Company reported as follows

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the memorial of the Richmond Turnpike and Nautilus Steam boat Company respecting the condition of the wharf and Carriage way at [268] *at* the White Hall Slip requesting that the same may be repaired with some alterations

Report

That they have viewed the premises and are of opinion that in order to meet the wishes of the memorialist it will be necessary to widen the Carriage way leading to the Steam boat wharf by taking off a Small portion of the Battery, build a new wall and fence from State Street to the South east corner of the Battery regulate and pave the carriage way to the said Steam boat wharf Your Committee in accordance with these views offer the following resolution

Resolved that a wall and fence be built along the easterly end of the battery on a line commencing Six feet westerly from the South Easterly corner of the Battery and extending on a paralell line in a

direction that will meet the present line about 130 feet below State Street, that the Street be regulated and paved to the Steam boat Wharf and that the whole be done under the direction of the [269] Committee on Public Lands and Places

Signed Isaac Emmons
J. Hammond
M. Gelston

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Masters of Vessels and others for the exclusive priviledge of the eastern side of Peck Slip for Market boats and a remonstrance of Sundry merchants against the same reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the annexed petition of William Daskarm and others praying for the exclusive priviledge of the East side of Peck Slip for market boats and the petition of Titus Conklin and other owners and masters of Vessels and also a petition from Peter Stagg and others inhabitants in the vicinity of Peck Slip praying that the prayer of the petitioners may not be granted

[270] Your Committee has had the subject under their particular consideration and they are of opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners inasmuch as all the Public Slips has been lately let for one year—which the Lessee Should have known at the time of making his contract if any alteration was to take place in the lease therefore your Committee begs leave to recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the petition*ers* cannot be granted

(Signed) Isaac Emmons
Asa Mann
J Hammond
M. Gelston.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Phelps and Peck for permission to keep a box along side of their Store to keep Sheet lead in reported as follows.

The Street committee to whom was referred the petition of Messrs Phelps & Peck for [271] permission to let a box which they had made to contain Sheet lead on the side walk to remain having taken the same into consideration respectfully report their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved that the petitioners have leave during the pleasure of the Common Council to continue the box built by them in Front Street to contain Sheet lead provided the same be reduced to three feet in width and two feet six inches in heighth:

Signed) F. Cooper
H. J. Wyckoff
Geo B Thorp
Asa Mann
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the remonstrance against paving Clark Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the remonstrance against [272] paving Clarke Street

Report that they have had the subject under consideration and from the best information they can obtain are of Opinion that the prayer of the petitioner for paving the Street ought to be carried into effect. and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Clark St. be paved and that an ordinance be passed to carry the same into effect.

Signed Asa Mann
H. J. Wyckoff
Geoe B Thorp.

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the Street Commissioner reported an Ordinance therefor which was passed.

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Hubert Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Sundry persons praying that the paving of Hubert St. may be completed

Report

That the request of the petitioners [273] ought to be complied with inasmuch as an ordinance was passed on the 15th of October last to regulate and pave Hubert Street from Hudson Street to the Bulk head that Estimates were received by the Street Commissioners for that purpose that at the solicitations of a Majority of the owners they were permitted to pave the street themselves that they all completed except one who has as yet neglected to do so

They therefore respectfully recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the paving of Hubert Street be completed under the direction of the Street Commissioner

(Signed) Francis Cooper
Henry J *Cooper* [Wyckoff]
George B Thorp
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[274] The Same Committee on the petition of James Bogart reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within petition of James Bogart asking leave to erect a wooden Railing along his house at the corner of Broadway and Courtlandt Street

Report that they have attentively considered the subject and that in consideration of the Building being constructed of wood they are induced to report in favour of the fence being made of the same material and therefore respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved

that James Bogert be permitted to erect a light wooden railing along the side of his house corner of Broadway and Courtlandt Street under the direction of the Street Commissioner Such priviledge only to continue during the pleasure of the Common Council

Signed Francis Cooper
Wm H Ireland
George B Thorp

which was agreed to.

[275] The Same Committee on the Petition of John R Livingston praying to be relieved from filling in certain Sunken lots reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of John R Livingston praying to be relieved from filling certain Sunken lots

Report that in their opinion it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner and that he be required to fill up the lots designated by an ordinance passed to that effect—by the first day of June next.

Signed Francis Cooper
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
George B Thorp

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[276] The Finance Committee on the communication of the Counsel respecting the refusal of Isaac Valentine to pay for the lease of the Hay Scales at Gourverneurs Slip reported as follows.

The Finance committee to whom was referred the communication of the Counsel respecting the Hay Slip at Gouverneurs market respectfully

Report. that the Lessee of the Hay Scales on executing the lease ought to have complied with the usages and customs of the corporation by which this kind of business has always been regulated and the Committee do not perceive any other Course than that in case the party contracting for a lease or other grant should not comply with the usual terms that then the Corporation should refuse to execute the lease or grant and the premises be leased or granted to some other person who will comply with the terms on which such lease or grant may be agreed. the following resolution is recommended Resolved that the principle of the foregoing report be adopted

(Signed) J. Hammond, Chas Town F Cooper. H. J. Wyckoff B Crane

[277] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the report of the Comptroller respecting an account of the Police Justices reported as follows

The Finance committee to whom was referred the communication of the comptroller respecting the Law books purchased by the Police officers: that is to say "One Cowens Justice Six dollars "One Set Law Dictionary Thirty dollars "New York Digest Ten dollars making together Forty six dollars Respectfully Report that there is not any usage or Custom of Supplying the Police office with printed books at the expense of the public. If this demand were to be allowed the committee do not See any reason or principle by which such demands or purchases Could afterwards be limited, and then perhaps they might be made to considerable amount.

The committee are therefore [278] of the opinion that this demand ought not to be allowed the purchase having been made without any authority from the Common Council the following resolution is submitted

Resolved

that the Corporation are not liable to be charged with the expense of books either printed or written purchased for the use of the Police

office: and that the above items ought not to be paid by the Common Council

(Signed) J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Cha[s] Town
Francis Cooper.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred to purchase ground for the removal of Essex Market. reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the *the* subject of purchasing ground for the removal of Essex market respectfully Report

that they have not been able to negociate any contract with the Owner of [279] *of* the land which was intended to have been purchased on account of the unreasonableness of the price demanded for it. The following resolution is recommended

Resolved that the injunction of secresy respecting this subject be removed

(Signed) J Hammond
H J. Wyckoff
Francis Cooper
Cha[s] Town
B Crane

Which was approved and the resolution directing the removal of the injunction of Secresy adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred the Annual Report of the trustees of the Savings Bank reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Annual Report of the trustees of the Savings Bank for the year of our lord one thousand Eight hundred and twenty one in pursuance of the Statute on that Case made and Provided beg leave to report [280] by the following resolution

Resolved that the said annual report be filed respectfully submitted

Signed J. Hammond
H. J. Wyckoff
Cha[s] Town
B Crane
Francis Cooper

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The committee on Applications on the pet. of John G Pearsall for the appointment of Measurer of Grain reported as follows

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John G Pearsall praying to be appointed a Measurer of Grain beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved

That John G Pearsall be appointed a measurer of Grain

Signed J Bingham
M Gelston
G. De Peyster

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly.

[280A] The Same Committee on the petition of Marcus Alden to be appointed an inspector of Lumber reported viz[t]

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Marcus Alden praying to be appointed an inspector of Lumber for this City beg leave to report the following resolution

Resolved that Marcus Alden be appointed one of the Measurers of Lumber for this City

(Signed) J Bingham
M Gelston
G. De Peyster.

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The Same Committee on the petition of Jedediah Benjamin for the appointment of the office of City Gauger reported Viz[t]

The Committee on Applications to whom was referred the petition of J Benjamin praying to be appointed one of the Guagers of this City to fill the place of Mr Lawrence represented [281] as unable to fulfill the duties of said office Beg leave to report the following resolution

Resolved that J Benjamin be appointed one of the Gaugers of this City

(Signed) John Bingham
M Gelston.

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac A Isaacs for the appointment of Collector of Arrears of Taxes reported in his favor which was read & laid on the table it was afterwards called up and together with other petitions on the same subject referred to the committee on Applications, of the New Board

The Committee on the Fire department to whom was referred the petition of Hose company N° 1 for an encreased number of men reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the annexed petition of Fire Hose Company N° 1 Report that [282] they have had the said petition under consideration and are of opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that Hose Company N° 1 be and they are hereby authorised to have five additional men

(Signed) John P Anthony
M Gelston
Robert McQueen

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred a memorial of the Fire department of the City respecting an Amendment to the Law for the Prevention of Fires presented a report which was in favor of the memorial and a Law amending said Law which was read and directed to be referred to the Counsel.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Fire Engine Company N° 13 respecting some Minors who [283] had been elected into Said Company reported as follows

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the anexed petition of Fire Engine Company N° 13. praying that certain young men elected in said Company as firemen and confirmed by the Board may be permitted to remain as Firemen

Report

That they have had a committee of the said company before them and the Chief Engineer that the Committee admit that the Young men that the Chief Engineer notified they could not remain as firemen had not arrived at the age prescribed by the Section of the Ordinance for preventing and extinguishing fires: they also admit that they were not ignorant of that regulation, By said Section it is made the duty of the Foreman of the company to certify to the Engineer that the persons elected by the company have arrived at the age of Twenty one years Your Committee see no good reason to recommend a deviation from the general regulation but believe [284] if carried into effect will be beneficial to the Fire Department and the Public Your Committee respectfully further State that they feel it their duty to support the Chief Engineer in the faithful discharge of his duty and

the observance of the Ordinances of this Board respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of Fire Engine Company N° 13 ought not to be granted

(Signed) J. P. Anthony
M. Gelston.
Robert McQueen

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments on the petition of Samuel S Rockwell reported

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel S Rockwell Stating that he had been assessed for personal tax in two wards that he is a resident in the 1st ward and transacts business in the 2nd ward that he [285] has paid the tax assessed on him in the 1st ward and prays to be relieved from paying that assessed on him in the 2nd

Report.

That it has been Satisfactorily Shewn to your Committee that the petitioner is a resident of the 1st ward and that he has been regularly assessed and has paid a personal tax in that ward for the Year 1821 and that therefore in their opinion he is justly entitled to relief and for that purpose they respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved That the Collector of the 2nd ward be instructed to decline collecting the personal Tax assessed on Samuel S Rockwell at N° 192 Broadway and that he return the amount in the list of errors and insolvencies of Said ward

Signed Charles Town
John Bingham
John P Anthony
Wm Thorn
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[286] The Same Committee on the petition of William Miles reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of William Miles praying to be relieved from paying the personal tax assessed on him in the 8th ward

Report

That they have investigated this case and from the representations

made by the petitioner and the Certificate of the Assessors hereunto annexed they do not hesitate to recommend that his request be granted and for that purpose respectfully submit the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector on the 8th ward be instructed to decline collecting the personal tax assessed on William Miles and that he return the amount in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas. Town
John P Anthony
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

[287] which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same committee on the petition of Stephen Richard reported as follows.

The committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Stephen Richard praying to be relieved from paying the personal tax assessed on him in the 9th ward

Report

That on an examination of this case it appears that the petitioner has been assessed for personal Tax in the 3d ward on $10000 which he has paid—in that ward—he transacts his business and resides there more than half the year his residence in the 9th ward where he has also been assessed for personal Tax in $10000, is a place to which part of his family retire during the warm months and is not considered as his domicile Your Committee are of opinion that as he has been regularly assessed and paid personal tax in the 3d ward he ought to be relieved from paying that assessed on him in the 9th they therefore respectfully offer the following resolution

[288] Resolved that the Collector of the 9th ward be instructed to decline Collecting the personal tax assessed on Stephen Richard and that he return the amount in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Chas Town
John P Anthony
John Bingham
Wm Thorn
Thomas Bolton.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Francis Rayngard reported Viz[t]

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Francis Raingeard in which he states that he has been assessed in the 8th ward Ten dollars for Personal tax which he is unable to pay having a large family to support out of a Small salary as a Clerk that he is one of those unfortunate Sufferers from St Domingo and is not [289] worth One hundred dollars in any kind of Property and praying relief in the premises

Report

That they have had this Subject under consideration and have no reason to doubt the correctness of the statement made by the petitioner —the Assessors having given him a certificate hereunto annexed in which they say they think him entitled to relief Your Committee being of the same opinion respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved That the Collector of the 8th ward be instructed to decline collecting the personal Tax assessed on Francis Raingeard N° 278 Bowery and that he return the balance in the list of errors and insolvencies of Said ward

(Signed) Cha[s] Town
John P Anthony
John Bingham
William Thorn
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[290] The Counsel presented an agreement with Thomas Woodruff & Gideon Tucker for building Stone wall at the Battery and also an agreement with Thomas Lovett for filling up the Space between the Reef in front of the Battery and Battery which were directed to be duly executed.

Mr Crane presented a resolution to direct the Street Commissioner to cause a pier to be run out to divide the waters between New Slip and Roosevelt St. which was directed to Lay on the table.

[291] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 29 april	$162.50
Received for tax of 1821 3d, 5th, 6th, 10th, wards	14.060.
" Streets	3.035.
" Vendue Sales	2.500.
" Rents	12.43.
" City Prison fees	287.

"	Justices Courts	614.65
"	Mayoralty fees	162.25
"	Tavern Licenses	93.10
"	Fines from Sheriff	91.
"	Street Vaults	57.75
"	Fines from Attorney	27.10
"	Excise	79.25
		$22407.72

62 Accounts audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	$1002.75
Hibbard and Clark Do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower Do 3d "	435.75
John J Astor Six mo. ground rent lot in Spring st 1st inst for Watch house	15.
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms house and officers 1 Qr Salary	537.50
Richard L Walker Physician City Prison " "	75.
John Burger regr 4 pubc Clocks 1 Qr 1 may	45.12
John Bremner Clerk Catharine Market 1 mo	41.66
Ezra Frost do Washington market	41.
[292] Richard Smith Clerk Washington market	41.
Peter Ammerman do 6 markets	33.50
Chas Gilman keeper of Battery 40 days to 1 may	45.
Andrew McCready do Park 1 month	33.75
Daniel H Magee Do Potters field	37.50
G Sickels keeper of City Prison 2 Deputies	450.
J Morton for index 43d volume minutes and expences	64.25
B Crane Stationary six months to 1 inst	279.12
George L Birch Printing 1 Qr "	176.
Van Pelt & Spear "	75.06
Editor of Mercantile advertiser subscription 4 mo	33.34
Joseph Leonard List of Passengers 6 mo	50.
J Hammond Justice 1, 2, 3, ward courts 1 Qr 1 may	400.
Elisha Morrell Do 4, 6, " " "	400.
Moses Cunningham 5, 8, " " "	400.
Harris Scovell " 7, 10, " "	400.
Joshua L Pell Clk 1, 2, 3 " "	187.50
George Betts do 4, 6, " "	187.50
Ebenezer Burling 5, 8, " "	187.50
Wm Smith Do 7, 10, " "	187.50
Noah Bartlett room for Court 4, 6 wards 1 Qr 1 may	25.
Samuel Titus do do 7, 10, " "	31.25
M. M. Noah Sheriff to pay officers attz courts	1197.25
S Montgomery and others Serving subpoenas	139.75
Samuel Stillwell 1 years rent for Engine No 19, Christie St 1st inst	20.
[293] Samuel Richardson rent Engine House 1 year no 30 Rivington Street	15.
Thomas Barnum Work at mud machine	84.94

P. Dewitt and inspectors election 1st Ward.....	39.	
J Sutphen do " " 2nd "	52.	
Danl D Smith " " 3d "	52.	
J Targee " " 4th "	39.	
Wm M Carter " " 5th "	52.	
Richard S Walker " " 6th "	44.	
D Lyon " " 7th "	33.	
Samuel M Thompson " 8th "	52.	
Thomas Miller " 9th "	52.	
R Clark " 10th "	44.	
J Sidell to pay peace officers attg election.....	162.	
Alexr H Mooney regg and pavg Sundry Stree[t]s.....	691.70	
Abraham Herring for ground sold for openg 4th Street returned	95.42	
E W Bridges Maps and Surveys to 1st may.....	98.68	
Daniel Ewen Do " " "	33.35	
Isaac T Ludlam " " "	7.79	
J Culbert bal. pavg 1st St. fr Bowery to 1 Avenue.....	9.	
J. Gallagher 1st paymt for Well in Grand, n Allen.....	48.	
S Tooker Wharfage of sloop delivg Stone at Battery.....	12.	
Edward Hilton Amount personal tax. Error.....	11.88	
Jacob P Roome Superintendant Repairs repairs Bulkhead Stanton St.....	1554.63	
[294] J. P. Roome Supt Repairs building new mud scow...	531.61	
J P Roome " building Ferry stairs at Fulton mt	485.64	
J P Roome Franklin Stoves at Fulton market.....	103.39	
J P Room for Repairs.....	100.	
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House.....	5000.	17438.33
	Balance	4969.39

The members & officers elected at the last Charter election appeared in conformity with the notice given them and took the oaths prescribed by Charter and the laws which were administered by the Hon Stephen Allen Mayor

The newly elected members then took their Seats and the Board was formed and the following business was presented.

[295] The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor president

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown
William Paulding Junr	Lewis Ford
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Gerard De Peyster	Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead.	David Seaman.

The following rules and orders for regulating & conducting the business of the Com Council were adopted.

Rules and Orders of the Common Council of the City of New York passed May 13th 1822

1st Upon the appearance of Five Aldermen and Five Assistants the Mayor or in his absence the recorder shall take the chair as president and the members be called to order

2d immediately after the President shall have taken the chair the minutes of the preceeding meeting shall be read, to the end that [296] any mistakes therein may be corrected by the board

3d The President shall preserve order and decorum and shall decide questions of order subject to an appeal to the board

4th The President shall in all cases be entitled to one vote and no more

5 Every member previous to his speaking shall rise from his seat and address himself to the President

6th When two or more members shall rise at once the President Shall name the member who is first to speak

7th No person shall speak more than twice to the same question without leave of the board nor more than once untill every member choosing to speak shall have spoken

8th No question on a motion shall be debated or put unless the same be seconded when a motion is seconded it shall be stated by the President before debate, and every such motion shall be reduced [297] to writing if any member desire it.

9th After a motion is stated by the President it shall be deemed in possession of the board but it may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment.

10 When a question is under debate no motion shall be received unless

1 To amend it
2 To commit it
3 To Postpone it
4 For the previous question or
5 To adjourn

11th A motion to adjourn shall always be in order and shall be decided without debate

12th The previous question untill it is decided Shall preclude all

amendments and debate of the main question and shall be in this form—" Shall the main question now be put.

13th Every member who shall be present when a question is put shall vote for, or against the same unless the board shall excuse him or unless he be immediately interested in the question in which case he shall not [298] vote

14th A member called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain, and the Board if appealed to shall decide on the case but without debate; if there be no appeal the decision of the chair shall be submitted to

15th All questions shall be put in the order they are moved except that in filling up blanks the largest sum and the longest time shall first be put.

16th Upon a division of the board the names of those who vote for and those who vote against the question shall be entered upon the minutes if any two members require it

17th In all divisions taken by the board it shall be the duty of the Clerk to enter on the minutes the name of the member calling for the division

18th No motion for reconsideration shall be in order unless made at the same meeting, or in pursuance of notice then [299] given for the next meeting after that on which the decision proposed to be reconsidered took place except by unanimous consent.

19th All appointments of officers shall be made by ballott unless dispensed with by the unanimous consent of the board and a majority of the whole number of votes shall be necessary to constitute a choice

20th No member shall absent himself without permission from the president

21st All committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered by the Board. Committees appointed to report on any subject referred to them by the board shall report a state of Facts and also their opinion thereon in writing and no report shall be received unless signed by a majority of the committee.

22nd Whenever the doors are directed to be closed all persons except the members and Clerk of the Common Council shall retire

23d His Honor the Mayor shall be a member of all standing committees: provided always that it shall not be necessary for him to sign any report and the [300] majority of the members of any such committee shall be sufficient exclusive of the Mayor to pass a resolution

24 A motion for the order of the day shall take precedence of all other motions and is to be considered immediately after the reading of petitions and original communications

The Standing committees shall be as follows

1 Applications
2 Assessments
3 Arts & Sciences
4 Canal
5 Charity
6 Ferries
7 Finance
8 Fire Department
9 Lamps
10 Laws
11 Markets
12 Police
13 Public lands & Places
14 Public Offices
15 Repairs
16 Roads
17 [301] Streets
18 Watch
19 Wharves Piers & Slip

Those on Applications Arts and Sciences Ferries Fire department Lamps Laws Repairs and Charity shall consist of three & the others of five.

Alderman Mann moved that to the committees prescribed in the Rules be added a Standing Committee for the Alms House & Penitentiary the consideration of which was postponed

His Honor the Mayor proceeded to appoint the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year.

1st Applications
Mr Marsh
" Reynolds
Ald. Depeyster

2 Assessments
Mr Thorn
" Marsh
" Bolton
" Reynolds
Ald Mead

3d Arts & Sciences
Ald McQueen
" Wyckoff
" Paulding

4th Canals
Mr Parker
" Ford
" Reynolds
Ald McQueen
" Taylor

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5th Charity
Ald Mead
Mr Bolton
" Thorn

6th Ferries
Ald Williams
" Mann
Mr Ford

7th Finance
Ald Paulding
" Wyckoff
" Hall
Mr Ireland
" Brown

8th Fire departmt
Mr Seaman
Ald Hall
" McQueen

9th Lamps
Ald Hall
" Fairlie
Mr Ireland

10 Laws
Ald. Fairlie
" Paulding
Mr Bolton

11th Market
Ald. Wyckoff
" Williams
" Fairlie
Mr Parker
" Seaman

12th Police
Mr Bolton
" Brown
" Seaman
Ald Mead
" Paulding

13th Pub. lands & Places
Mr Harper
Ford
Ald. Depeyster
" Fairlie
" Mead

14th Pubc offices
Mr Brown
" Thorn
" Harper
" Reynolds
Ald Taylor

[303] 15. Repairs
Mr Ford
" Thorn
Ald Depeyster

16 Roads
Ald. Depeyster
" Williams
" Taylor
Mr Harper
" Parker

17 Streets
Ald Taylor
" Wyckoff
" Mann
Mr Ireland
" Marsh

18 Watch
Ald. Mann
Mr Harper
" Marsh
" Brown
" Seaman

19 Wharves Piers & Slips
Mr Ireland
" Parker
Ald. Mann
" Williams
" Hall.

Special committees

1 to confer with citizens on the Subject of erecting a Statue to Genl Washington
Ald Fairlie
" Paulding
Mr Bolton
" Parker
" Ireland

2nd On enlarging and improving the Battery.
Ald. Wyckoff
" Mann
Mr Ford
" Ireland
" Brown

On Supplying the city with good and wholesome water. His Honor the Mayor Alderman Paulding Wyckoff Williams Mead

[304] Alderman Wyckoff requested that he might be excused from Serving as chairman of Market committee having served in that Station the last year upon motion his request was refused. It was moved to reconsider the vote given upon Aldn Wyckoffs request after some discussion the further consideration was postponed

A Petition was received from the Lessees of Stalls and cellars under Fulton market stating that the opening of Beekman Street is of great importance to them in the use and occupation of their Stalls & Stands and its being immediately opened was calculated upon in the rents which they gave stating their approbation of the first line agreed upon and requesting the Common Council will withdraw their opposition now before the Supreme Court to the adoption of said line—the Same having been read was laid upon the table—A [305] motion was afterwards made to call it up for the purpose of referring it which was negatived

A petition of Stephen Gould to be allowed to furnish for the newly elected members and others of the Corporation the Laws of the State was read and referred to the Finance committee

A Petition of John Gaffet inspector of Firewood praying on account of the insufficiency of the present district to maintain him to appoint him to some other district was referred to the committee on wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Jesse Howard was received stating that it is necessary to remove the Liberty Pole at present standing in the 5th ward corner of Church and Leonard Street and recommending its being placed in a triangular piece of ground at junction of Chapel and Provoost St. which was referred to the Aldn & Assistant of the 5th ward with powers.

[306] A petition of Lewis Valloo for further time to pay assessment for opening Harman St. was referred to the Finance Committee.

A recommendation in favour of Thomas Willis as keeper of Potters field was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Memorial was received from Mangle Minthorn & others owners of Real estate bounded by the Bowery road and the East river North street and 28th St stating the serious injury they sustain for the want of a regulation of the Streets which will pass through their property and praying the Corporation to adopt a permanent Regulation for the Avenues and Streets in which they are interested which being read was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition was received from the inhabitants residing at market Slip and the vicinity complaining that the Engine House at that place is a great inconvenience to them [307] and praying that the same may be removed was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition from Sundry Masters & Owners of the Rhode Island Packets praying that they may be permitted to come into Fly market Slip upon the same terms as other vessels are permitted to lie in the Other Public Slips of the Corporation was referred to the committee on Wharves Piers & Slips. the Petition also contained a request that the Ferry stairs might be removed which was directed to be complied with and the Superintendant of Repairs was directed forthwith to remove the Same.

A Memorial from the owners and Occupants of Lots & Houses in the vicinity of Fly market Slip was presented stating the unfinished Situation of Fly market St from Pearl Street to the Slip & suggesting improving the same by running a bulkhead across the Slip and filling up the same which having been read was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[308] A petition of the Fisherman occupying Fulton Market complaining that the Steam boat Enterprize occupying the West side of the Slip is exceedingly inconvenient to them was referred to the Market committee

A Petition of Sundry inhabitants that a well may be sunk in Hudson St corner of Dominick Street was read and referred to the Ald. and Assis^{t} of the 8th ward

A Petition of Chas Debost for relief from a personal tax assessed on him was read & referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition that Green Street may be regulated & paved from Spring to Bleecker Street was referred to the Street Committee.

A petition from mary Green for relief from a personal tax assessed on her was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

[309] A petition of Louis Cordua complaining of the Stoppage of the Minetto Sewer and that his garden was in Consequence overflowed was referred to the Street committee with directions to remedy the evil complained of. "A Petition that Grand Street be paved from Forsyth to Ludlow Street was referred to the St. Comm^{ee}

A Memorial of Sundry inhabitants of the 9th ward praying the Corporation to take as Public pumps two Pumps in Said ward one on 3^{d} Avenue at corner of 10th Street the other in 10th St. corner of the Bowery which being read was referred to the Aldermen & Assistant of the 9th ward and to report thereon to the board.

A Petition of Simeon Vanbeuren to be permitted to remove a frame building upon Trucks from Barclay to Elm Street was referred to the Ald. & Assist. of the 3 & Eighth wards with powers

A petition of Stephen McGrath an alien but who has made his

declaration to become a citizen for license as a Cartman was referred to his Honor the Mayor

[310] A petition of Patrick Fagan for remission of fine under Tavern License was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A petition of James T Smith for permission to construct a vault in Broadway and a Similar petition from Barent Deklyn for vault in Duane St were referred to the Ald & Assistant of the wards with authority to grant on the usual terms

A representation from Jacob Frost that the Pier west side of Fly market Slip needed repairs was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A petition of James Vincent to be permitted to remove a Frame House upon trucks from Corner of Church & Leonard Streets to the corner of Broome and Green Streets was referred to the Aldermen and Assistants of the 5th and Eighth wards with powers.

[310A] A petition of John Gelston keeper of the Public Store N° 1 Broad Street requesting on account of the particularly high situation of the side walk at that place to permit goods to be landed from boats at the platform of the Stoop being read was referred to the Aldermen and Assistant of the 1st Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Danl Oakey for relief from a Personal tax assessed on him on 1st and 9th wards was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition for raising and repairing a part of Collect Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Joseph L Simpson for appoint[t] of Street Inspector was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Memorial of John Wintringham was received Stating that he was a candidate for the office of Constable at the late Charter Election for the 2nd ward at [311] which two constables were to be chosen that the Inspectors Returned that on counting the ballots there were for Richard Ellis 603 votes Asa Eastwood 344 votes John Wintringham 342 votes Wintringham 3 votes that the Inspectors have returned Asa Eastwood as having the greatest number of votes that Asa Eastwood in opinion of Petitioner is not eligible not having been for the last six months an inhabitant of the City and praying relief whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Laws.

A Representation of Moses Cunningham that the Court Room of the justices of the 5th and 8th wards needed repairs was referred to the Committee of repairs with powers.

A petition of Hippolite Barrere for permission to erect a wooden

building in Chatham Garden was [312] *was* referred to the Committee on the Fire Department and Chief Engineer.

A Petition of George Carroll for appointment of Collector of Arrears of taxes was referred to the Committee on Applications and it was directed that all petitions on that subject heretofore presented be referred to the present Committee on Applications

A petition of Sundry merchants and others residing at the East side of Peck Slip requesting that the E side of said Slip may be set apart for the use of market boats exclusively was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A petition of the Contractors of Street manure praying an Alteration of the districts as established by Law was referred to the Street Committee.

The following resolution presented to the former Board by Mr Crane was now called up and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips Resolved that the Street [313] Commissioner be and he is hereby authorised to have a Pier erected under the Superintendance of the Committee of Wharves Piers & Slips dividing the Public waters between New Slip and Roosevelt Street.

An Invitation from Mrs Scudder proprietor of the American Museum to the Corporation to visit that institution and accompanied with a Season ticket for the year to the members of the Common Council & their families was presented and accepted

Ald[n] Wyckoff presented the following which was agreed to

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be directed to furnish the newly elected Members of the Board with a copy of the Charter and Laws of the Corporation, A Map of the City and a Set of the Laws of the State of New York

[314] On like motion the Clerk was directed to have printed a directory containing the names and places of abode of the members of the Common Council the Rules & Orders of the Standing Committees and the names and residence of the Officers of the Board

The Superintendant of Repairs was also directed to furnish the members with the Staves of office when the

Board adjourned

[315] In Common Council May 27th 1822

Present The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Shivers Parker
Robert McQueen	Wm Thorn
Asa Mann	David Marsh
Jacob B Taylor	Nathaniel Reynolds
Gerard De Peyster	David Seaman

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A petition of George Strite Lessee of Lot of Common lands at the corner of Middle road and Lows lane requesting Corporation to receive from him a cession of the Lease or to extend the term of the the lease on more favourable conditions was read & referred to the Finance Commee

[316] A petition of Elias J Kent to purchase a piece of ground at the corner of Anthony and little Water St. was referred to the Finance committee

A petition for permission to sink a well at corner of Mercer and Prince Streets was read & referred to the Ald & Assist of ward and Street Commissioner to report an ordinance therefore

A petition of John Insly for appointment of Street Inspector was referred to the committee on Applications

A petition of Peter Crawbuck butcher requesting permission to sell meat at the westerly corner of Old Slip market was referred to the Market Committee.

A petition of Wm J Boyce for stand in the Old Slip market similar Petitions from James Weeden, Elias B Messerve, Rufus Gilbert, William Pullis, George Clinch Charles Hopper and James E Pell were referred to the same Commee

[317] A petition of the butchers of the several markets in the City praying that the Corporation will relinquish the mode of renting the Stalls in the Market & will substitute the former System of charging fees for cattle sold at the several Stalls was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A petition from the inhabitants in the vicinity of Old Slip praying

that a bell may be placed on the market about to be erected at that place was referred to the Same Committee

A petition of Philip Brasher owner of a block of Ground bounded by Prince, Orange, Crosby & mulberry St. praying that an alteration may be made in the lines of Orange St. to go No[r]therly and to Stop at what is known as Dyckmans line Which being read was referred to the Street Committee

[318] A Petition from the Owners of Lots on Courtlandt Alley praying the same may be paved from White to Franklin Street was referred to the Street Committee

A petition from Francis Childs & others Owners of Lots in the neighbourhood of Laurens Street near Canal Street complaining of Sunken lots in the vicinity was read and referred to the City Inspector

A petition of Harman Shatzel for an appointment as Street Inspector was referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition of Sundry inhabitants in behalf of Miles & Bacon praying they may be permitted to keep a small Shed which they have erected over the door of their Grocery Store N° 59 Chapple Street was referred to the Street committee.

A Petition of Henry Cochrane complaining of an overcharge of fees in a Suit commenced by him in the Justices court of the 7th & 10th ward was referred to the law Committee.

[319] A petition of Levi Gurnsey for relief from fine incurred by removing through the Streets a frame house without permission having been obtained, was referred to the Ald & Assistant of the 5th and 8th Wards.

A Petition *of* that Broome Street may be paved from mercer to Wooster St. was referred to the Street committee

A Petition of C. M. Gahagan for Appointment as Collector of Arrears of Taxes was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of the inhabitants of Greenwich Village for the regulating and paving of certain Streets in the village Viz[t] Herring Christopher Bedford, Burrows Commerce, Jones, Arden, & Cornelia Street was referred to the Street Committee.

[320] A Petition that Bleecker St between Thompson and Sullivan may be opened and regulated was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition that a well may be sunk at corner of Bedford and Arden Streets was referred to the Ald. and Assist. of ward and St Comm[r] to report an Ordinance therefor

A Petition that the Side walks in Allen St from Grand to Stanton St may be paved was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of James McCabe to be appointed Deputy Clerk of the Market about to be erected at Old Slip and a similar petition of William Jessup were referred to the Market committee.

A recommendation from a number of Inhabitants that Corn^{s} C Myers be appointed a Street Inspector was referred to the Committee on Applications

[321] A Petition from George Youle for relief from a Personal tax assessed on him in the 9th ward having been assessed and paid a personal tax in the 4th was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of H Somerryndike for appointment to the office of Measurer of Grain was referred to the Comm^{ee} on Applications

A Petition of Thomas Gender to be permitted to assign the Lease for Cellar N° 6 under Fulton Market was referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} with powers,

A petition of James D Bisset for appointment of Collector of Arrears of taxes was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition from the Collectors of taxes *of Taxes* of the Several wards praying that the time for collecting in the Taxes may be extended to [322] *to* the first of July next was read and laid on table.

A Petition from Charles Wilkes was received Stating that he had paid to the Collector of the 9th ward his Personal tax for the Year 1821 that he has been since called upon by the Collector of the 1st ward for Personal tax for the Same Year and praying relief which was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A petition of the Lessees of Cellars under Fulton Market praying a reduction of the rent which they have contracted to pay for the occupation of said Cellars was read and referred to the Market Committee.

Two Petitions from Benjamin Odell for relief from fine incurred for driving a Hackney coach for hire without having obtained a license as owner of said Carriage & for which he was now in prison was read and referred to the Police Committee

[323] A Presentment of the Grand Jury respecting the late escape of two convicts from the Bridewell recomending the establishment of one watchman in the front and another in the rear of said Building and also representing the building as insufficient for the safe keeping of Prisoners—was read the subject respecting *the* a watchman to be established was referred to the Watch committee and the subject re-

specting the insufficiency of the Prison was referred to the Committee of Repairs

A petition of Van Pelt & Spears to be appointed Printers to the Corporation was referred to the committee on Public Offices

A Petition from the lessees of Cellars under the East wing of the Fulton market praying a reduction of the rent reserved on their Leases was referred to the Finance Committee

[324] A Petition of Peter Schemerhorn for permission to build a pier near Rector Street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of Benjamin Waldron for an appointment to some office under the Corporation was referred to the committee on Applications

A Petition of Peter Crary Junior was received stating that a mistake had been made by the Assessors of the 1st ward in assessing a Store belonging to him No 83 Pine Street as being of the value of $8000 when the same should have been but $3000. accompanied with a certificate to that effect from the Assessors of the ward and praying relief

whereupon it was resolved that the Prayer of the Petitioner be granted and that the Clerk of the Common Council inform the Collector of the First ward thereof & direct him to carry the difference to the list of Errors and Insolvencies of said ward.

[324A] A Petition of George DurYee for appointment of Deputy Clerk of the market about to be erected at Old Slip and to be employed as Sweeper of the Same & to have the priviledge of establishing a public Scale there was referred to the Market committee

A Petition of Robert Byrne praying to receive a license as a retail Grocer he having some years since made a declaration of his intention of becoming a Citizen & now holding a commission under the State of Captain in the 2nd Regiment of Artillery was read and referred to his Honor the Mayor

A further Petition from Leonard Baker for relief from fine incurred by keeping a Hackney Carriage and hiring the Same without having taken out a license therefor was referred to the Committee of Charity.

A Petition of Joseph Burjeau A marshal of the City Stating that his staff of [325] office was broken while on Duty on the 4th of March last and praying that another might be furnished him was read and referred to the Committee of Repairs. with authority &c.

A Petition of Abraham Kidney for permission to continue in their

present situation two marble steps which he has erected to two Houses which he has placed in mercer Street—the same being somewhat wider than allowed by Law though not so wide as other Stoops in the vicinity was read and referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Thomas Fairchild to be appointed an Inspector of paving of Streets was read and referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of Thomas Blanch that a Stoop which he has lately erected in Church St which projects something more on the Street than allowed by Law may be permitted to remain in its present state was read and referred to the Street Committee

[326] A Petition of Robert Longue for relief from penalty incurred by taking earth from the Public Highway was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of George W Murray requesting the loan of the Mining Auger owned by the Corporation to be employed in sinking a well for the use of his Lead works in the vicinity of the City was read and referred to the Superintendant of Repairs with authority to grant the request.

A Petition of Robert Slater for license as a Cartman he having declared his intention of becoming a Citizen in 1821 and having for two years past done duty in a troop of Horse Artillery in the City was read and referred to his Honor the Mayor

A petition of Elinor Fitspatrick that payment of an Assessment laid on a House and Lot owned by her at corner of Harman and Market Street for [327] opening Harman Street may be delayed and she will regularly pay the interest on said Assessment was read and referred to the Finance committee with powers

A Petition of James Rogers for remission of fine for selling liquor without license was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition from the Protestant Episcopal Charity School praying relief from a Tax assessed on their School House in Varick St was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Memorial of the Richmond Turnpike and Nautilus Steam boat Company complaining of the situation of Pier N° 1 at White Hall Slip was read and referred to the Ferry Committee

A Petition from the Inhabitants respecting a pump opposite N° 50 Walker Street requesting an examination of the same and if necessary that a new one be sunk was read & referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and the Street Commissioner

[328] A Petition from John Warlow for Stall N 4 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition was received from Smith and Townsend Lessees of the Public Wharves & Slips stating that many of the Public Wharves were out of repair was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips

A Petition of John Roshore for some appointment under the Corporation was read and referred to the committee on Applications

The following persons were appointed Firewardens and Fireman the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Wardens of 8th Ward

Hickson Wilson Carpenter Herring st vice Matthew Shultz Resd

Hook & Ladder No 1

John Wright Jr merchant 35 Water St vice David Keys resigned

[329] Fire Engine Company No 2.

Stephen R Kirby Merchant 110½ Division St
vice John J Smith resigned

John W Lamson Cabinet maker 36 Harman St
vice Stephen Thorn term expired

No 4.

Jesse Lewis Chair Maker 40 Beekman Street
vice Jasper Corning removed

Wm Stackhouse Chair Maker 68 Beekman St.
vice John H Giffing resigned

No 6.

Charles Meckelberg Junr Carpenter Sullivan St
vice John G Bates resigned

Israel C Holmes Merchant 74 Pearl St. vice Nathan Joy resigned

No 12.

Edward Kealy Grocer 35 Rose St vice James Speir Resigned

No 13.

Joseph S Mott No 13 Vandewater St Merchant
vice James Harris Resigned

N. 14

George Colgate Soap & Candle Manufacturer 57 Warren
vice Alexander Campbell resd

N° 16

Jn W DeGraw Grocer Warren c Chapple
vice Webly Slocum resigned

[330] Engine N° 16

Adam Degrushe Cooper 43 Elizabeth St
vice Francis Ogsbury resigned

N° 17

John P Boule Shipwright 86 Henry St vice James Colvin expired
Robert C Carpenter Ship Wright 28 Cherry St
vice Francis Casilear expired
Wm G Silvey Cabinet maker 74 Catharine St
vice John Cox resigned
Abraham Riker Carpenter 180 Division
vice Elliot Higgins resigned

N° 20.

Peter Marselus Lace maker 140 William
vice Samuel Ward resigned

N° 22

Eliphas Tracy Ship wright Lombardy St
vice Nathl Ward resigned

N° 25

Concklin Titus Pocket book maker 35 Rose
vice Joseph W Brown resigned

N° 29

Richard Wanmaker Blacksmith Greenwich St
vice Isaac Herring resigned
James G Hall Cartman Washington Cor Hammond
vice Josiah F Crane resigd
[331] James Harsen Shoe maker Greenwich Lane
vice Joshua Hyde Resigned

N° 42.

Samuel Bowman Painter 82 Roosevelt
vice Peter Thompson Appd F W

The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for repaving Old Slip street from the northerly side of Water Street to the Bulkhead which was passed and Isaac Kip John Salisbury & James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

He also presented an ordinance for a Well and Pump in Hudson

near Dominick Street which was passed and Abraham Dally John Targee & John Bedient were appointed Assessors

Also for a Well and Pump in Sheriff St. between Grand and Broome Sts & James Bleecker Isaac Kip and Francis Peckwell were appointed Assessors

He also presented an Ordinance for regulating and paving Wooster St between Spring and Houston Street which was passed and Peter H Wendover Benjamin & John Brower [332] were appointed Assessors

He also presented the following Assessments which were confirmed Viz. for a Well and Pump in Lewis St, between 3d & 4th Sts. and Morris De Camp was appointed Collector

For a Sewer in Thames St and Noah Jarvis was appointed Collector.

For regulating Wooster Street from Canal half way to Grand St and John G Betts was appointed Collector

He also presented an Assessment for a Sewer in Cedar St with objections thereto from Anthony Post and John P Bogert which was referred to the Canal Commee

He also made a representation that Crane Wharf Street between Front St, & the River was in an offensive State and he recommended that a temporary regulation should be made and the Street paved which was approved and he was directed to cause the same [333] to be done forthwith

The City Inspector presented Ordinances for Correction of the following nuisances, which were passed

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt.

No 1	E Lydecker	Lessee	Christopher and Greene	A Lot
No 2	N Jarvis	Lessee	Greene St	A Lot
3	S Van Antwerp	Owner 66	Greene St	Do
4	James Wood	Do	Delancy St	Do

Signed Geo Cumming City Inspr

The Comptroller reported that he had examined the Account of B Skaats keeper of the Hall for fuel purchased and found a balance due to the Corporation of $1 $^{8}/_{100}$ which was carried to the next account.

He also reported that articles of agreement between the Corporation & the trustees of the Congregation of Sherath Israel dated 18th of November 1818 are lodged in his office they relate to the extension of Oliver Street to Chatham Street and certain Sums are to be paid to

the Corporation by the trustees [334] the balance of which according to the Statement of the Comptroller was on the 14th of May 1819. $10.643 Whereupon the same was referred to the Finance Committee.

He also presented a Report of the Fiscal concerns of the Corporation accompanied with a balance Sheet for the last six months. An Account of Cash received and paid for the year ending the 15th instant & the Account of the Commissioners of the Sinking fund for the same period which was referred to the Finance commee with authority to print and publish the same

The Counsel presented a lease to Wilson J Hunt, & Joseph F Randolph for lot No 14 at the Southeasterly corner of Fulton Street and West Street for the term of 21 years at the rent of $1300. per annum which lease was directed to be duly executed.

[335] He also presented Leases to the following persons for Lots sold for Non Payment of Assessment

The Counsel herewith respectfully submits for execution the following leases of property sold for non Payment of taxes

A Lease to John McKesson of all those two certain lots of land situated in Eldridge street in the tenth ward of the City of New York which said lots of land were assessed on the Assessment roll as Belonging to John McKesson sold for six years from April 18. 1822.

A Lease to John Voorhis of all that certain lot of land situated at No Montgomery Street in the 7th ward of the City of New York which said lot was assessed on the Assessment roll as belonging to Holly Green sold for Nineteen years from April 18. 1822 the said premises were assigned by Wm J Waldron to the said John Voorhis

A Lease to Wm J Waldron of all those four certain lots of land Situate in Cannon Street in the 10th ward of the City of New York which said lots of land were assessed on the [336] Assessment roll as belonging to an unknown person sold for 27 years from April 18. 1822. the said premises were assigned by Robert Morrell to the said Wm J. Waldron.

A lease to Wm J Waldron of all that certain lot of Land situated at No Lombardy Street in the 7th ward of the City of New York assessed as belonging to an unknown person which said lot is known and distinguished on a map of a certain farm by No 10 Sold for fourteen years from April 18. 1822 the same premises were assigned to the said Wm J Waldron by Robert Morrell

Respectfully submitted
(Signed) Ogden Edwards

Which were directed to be executed

He also reported agreably to order a Law relative to the Engineers of the Fire Department which was after some consideration and an amendment thereto referred to the Fire Department.

[337] The Ald and Assistant of the 7th ward to whom was referred a petition for a Pump in Grand Street reported as follows

The Aldn & Assist of 7th ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons requesting that a well might be dug and built near the intersection of Grand Harman & Sheriff Street Report

that in their opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and therefore respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that a Well be built on the Westerly side of Sheriff Street near Grand Street

(Signed) Asa Mann
Wm Thorn

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was [referred] the Petition of D Oakey reported as follows.

The Committee of Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Daniel Oakey Report

That they have taken his case into [338] their consideration and are of opinion that relief ought to be granted beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved That the Collector of the Ninth ward refrain from Collecting said tax and return the same in the list of Error and Insolvencies of said ward.

(Signed) Wm Thorn
David Marsh
Nathl Reynolds
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of John Tonnely reported as follows.

The Committee of Assessments to whom was referred the petition of John Tonnelly

Report That they have given the subject a thorough investigation and are of opinion that the Prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted as the tax he paid in the ninth ward [339] was paid in his own wrong as the committee are decidedly of opinion that his domicile is

in the Second ward and that he is bound to pay his tax in said ward they therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved That the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) W. Thorn
David Marsh
Nath[l] Reynolds
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Petition for running a bulkhead across Fly market Slip reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the petition of Sundry Inhabitants residing in the vicinity of Fly market Slip praying that a bulkhead may be run across said Slip Beg leave to Report

That they have viewed the premises and are of opinion that [340] the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted inasmuch as by erecting this Bulkhead it will add to the Accommodation of vessels by enabling them to lay at the head of the Slip & discharge their cargoes which heretofore they were prevented from doing for the want of water another reason for recommending this bulkhead is, that it will remove a nuisance and complete Fly market Street to the permanent line of South Street and as the scite on which stood the Old Fly Market is now torn up for the purpose of arching the Sewer and regulating the Street it is believed that no period will be more suitable or attended with less ill convenience to the inhabitants to effect this work than the present for these reasons your committee are induced to submit the following resolution

Resolved that a bulkhead be made across Fly Market Slip so as to be on a line with the Southerly side of South Street & also that the [341] Sewer be continued and the Street made extended and regulated to this line

(Signed) W[m] H Ireland
Elam Williams
James Hall
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The same Committee presented the following on the subject of the situation of the ground at the corner of Fulton & West Streets

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips beg leave to call the attention of the board to the Situation of the ground at the corner of Fulton and West Streets the improvements already commenced on the Lot recently Leased by the Board to Mr Randolph so much narrows the passage to the main Pier below as to make it necessary either to build a bulkhead across the Slip and fill in the same or to make a temporary improvement by driving Piles and erecting a Bridge thereon

Your Committee are of opinion that the latter Course is to be preferred first because this may be done in a short time and at a trifling expense secondly because the Market boats [342] will still retain nearly the same room & accommodation they formerly had to deprive them of which by filling up any part of the Slip might be a cause of Complaint on the part of the Lessee of the Public Docks and Slips Under these considerations your committee have thought proper to offer the following resolution

Resolved,

that the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to cause the West end of Fulton Street to be so widened and extended as to give sufficient room for carts to pass & repass from and to the pier below & that said extension be made conformable to the map or sketch herewith exhibited

Signed Wm H Ireland
Elam Williams
James Hall
Shivers Parker

Whereupon the resolution proposed by them was adopted.

[343] The Attorney made the following report in the case of Edward Ewen

The Attorney of the Board reports the case of Edward Ewen of the Ship Mentor who was complained of by one of the Harbor masters for refusing to remove that Ship according to orders the penalty in such cases is Fifty dollars Upon examining the circumstances after the Complaint was entered the Harbor master was desirous that the same should be discharged upon payment of Costs the costs have been paid and the case is respectfully submitted to the Board for their instructions as to discontinueing the suit

Signed M. Ulsshoeffer Atty

Whereupon the Attorney was directed to discontinue the proceedings in said suit.

The Committee on Laws to whom was referred the petition of John Wintringham respecting the election in the 2nd Ward for a constable reported, as follows.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Wintringham [344] upon the Subject of the Election of Asa Eastwood for one of the constables of the Second ward

Report.

That your Committee have enquired into the subject matter of said petition and find that at the late election for Charter officers three hundred and forty four votes were given for Asa Eastwood three hundred and forty two for John Winthringham and three for Wintringham without any baptismal name the committee are of opinion that the three votes given for Wintringham cannot in Strict legal construction be considered as given to John Wintringham They are therefore of opinion that John Wintringham was not legally elected a Constable at said election

Your Committee also find that Asa Eastwood who was returned by the Inspectors as having the greatest number of votes for Constable was not by the Charter of the said City or by law eligible to the office [345] of Constable as he was neither a freeholder of the said ward nor a freeman of the said City nor had he resided within the same and rented a tenement therein for six months next preceding the Election

Your Committee are also of opinion that a new election for a constable of the said ward ought to be held and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions

Resolved that Asa Eastwood was not legally qualified at the time of his election at the last anniversary election to the office of Constable of the second ward to serve in that office and that the said office is deemed to be vacant

Resolved that an election be held at the House of Mrs Mitchell Fulton Street situate in the Second ward of the City of New York on the eleventh and twelfth days of June next for the purpose of electing a constable of said ward and that John Sutphen Samuel St. John and James Benedickt be the inspectors of said election

Signed James Fairlie
Wm Paulding Junr
Thomas Bolton

[346] which resolution was adopted and a new election directed to be held agreably thereto

The Inspectors app[d] were John Sutphen Samuel St John James Benedict to be held *at* 11[th] & 12[th] June at Mrs Mitchell's in Fulton Street

The Committee on Finance on the petition of Stephen Gould reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Stephen Gould of this City Bookseller respectfully Report

That the petitioner is a tenant of the Corporation of this City that he has heretofore furnished this Board with the laws of this State and is now desirous of supplying the new members of the Common Council with those laws: and the officers of the Corporation with the laws of the last Session of the Legislature and that he will deduct ⅛ from the retail value of those laws thereby reducing the price of a set [347] thereof consisting of five volumes from 26 dollars to $17 $^{8}\frac{4}{100}$

As the petition of Mr Gould appears to be reasonable your committee are of opinion it ought to be granted and they therefore submit for the consideration of this board the following resolution.

Resolved that Stephen Gould be and he is hereby authorised & requested to furnish each of the new members of the Common Council with the laws of the State and also to supply the Officers of the Corporation of this City with the laws of the last session of the Legislature of this state

(Signed) William Paulding Jun[r]
Henry J Wyckoff
W[m] H Ireland
John D Brown
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[348] The Street Committee on the petition that Skinner St. may be widened as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within petition of Cunningham & McCormick and others that Skinner Street may be widened and extended to Ferry St. Respectfully Report

That your committee have given the subject their deliberate attention and consideration and are of opinion that under all the circumstances the request of the petitioners ought not to be granted inasmuch as it would not if carried into effect be of any considerable public advantage and beside that a very large majority of the Proprietors of Property who would be immediately interested in the project are

opposed to its being carried into effect from the foregoing consideration your Committee offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient [349] to grant the request of the Petitioners

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Wooster Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee on the petition for paving Wooster Street Report that they have caused the Subject to be advertised in order that any person interested therein might have an opportunity to object thereto and that as no Objections are offered they recommend that the request of the Petitioners be granted and accordingly offer the following resolu

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners to have Wooster St paved between Spring and Houston Streets be granted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
Wm H Ireland
H J Wyckoff
David Marsh

[*349] Which was approved and the Street Commissioner immediately reported an ordinance therefor which was passed.

The Same Committee on the petition of Higgins & Mesarole reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Messrs Higgins & Meseroles contractors for the Street Manure praying that the first and Second divisions of the Eastern District may be so altered as to lessen the third Division Report.

That they see no impropriety in granting the request of the Petitioners and in order thereto your Committee respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved

That the divisions of the Eastern Sweeping be altered agre-

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

ably to the lines shewn on a map herewith presented and [350] that case be amended in Conformity thereto

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
H. J. Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
David Marsh.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom on the 18th of March last had been referred an Ordinance prescribed by the City Inspector directed to the President & Directors of the Manhattan Company to fill in certain Sunken lots on the Easterly side of Green Street between Houston and Bleeçker St reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within Ordinance Report that in their opinion the requisitions thereof ought to be Complied with and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the City Inspector carry the requisition of the within ordinance into effect

Signed Jacob. B. Taylor
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
W. H. Ireland
David Marsh

[*350] Which was approved and the Ordinance passed

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th Ward to whom had been referred a Petition *of* for a well in Hudson Street corner of Dominic St reported Vizt

The Alderman and Assistant of the 8th ward and Street Commissioner to whom had been referred the annexed petition for a Well and Pump respectfy Report, by the following resolution

Resolved

That a Well be built at or near the intersection of Hudson with Dominic Street

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh

Ald. Mann presented the following Resolved that a journal of the Proceedings of the Common Council be printed for the use of the members and that it commence with the minutes of the Present Board which was referred to the committee on Public offices.

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

[351] Upon the suggestion of one of the members the Lobby was cleared and the

Doors closed.

Ald. Taylor stated that he viewed it proper that whatever steps were taken upon the petn of the Collectors of the Several Wards for an extension of time upon their warrants should not be made public as if it were generally known that A further time was given to them it would have the effect of impeding their collections he moved that the petition which had been laid on the table should be now considered which was agreed to After Some discussion it was referred to the Finance committee with Authority to comply with the request of the *request of the* Petitioners upon their Sureties being still held liable but the time not to be extended beyond the 1st of July next.

A reconsideration of the question upon the request of Ald Wyckoff to be excused from serving on the Market Committee which was postponed at the last meeting was called up and it was agreed to reconsider the same

[352] Upon the question of excusing Aldn Wyckoff it was carried in the affirmative Mr Parker was then placed as Chairman of the Market committee and Mr Reynolds was placed as chairman of the Canal Committee in place of Mr Parker.

The Petitions of the Lessees of Cellars and Stalls of Fulton market which was laid on the table at the last meeting was called up and referred to the Street Committee

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 13th inst	$4969.39	
Received for Rents	4970.42	
" Excise	2800.	
" Tax of 1821 5th ward	1500.	
" Streets	600.	
" Commutation Alien Passengers	110.	14.949.81

45 Accounts audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	1002.75
Hibbard & Clark Do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	435.75
G. N. Bleecker Comptr 1 Qr Salary 15th inst	437.50
[353] Jacob P Roome Supt Repairs 1 Qr Salary 14th inst	250.
Talman J Waters Clk Comprs office 1 Qr 24 Inst	200.
Thomas Franklin Chief Engineer 1 Qr 18th "	125.
Ogden Edwards Counsellor 1 Qr. 27th "	100.
B Skaats keeper of City Hall 1 Qr 24th "	100.
B Skaats Expenses for Corporation 1 Qr 24th "	118.70

R Graves St. Comr for 25 trees in Park	62.50
Manhattan Compy for Jail Water 1 year 1st inst	33.33
Ald Wyckoff attends Court of Sessions 12 days	36.
Ald Townsend " " 12 "	36.
Ald Gelston " " 12 "	36.
Ald Anthony " " 12 "	36.
Ald Bingham " " 19 "	57.
Ald Paulding " " 5 "	15.
Ald McQueen " " 24 "	72.
Ald Mann " " 12 "	36.
Ald Emmons " " 12 "	36.
Ald Thorp " " 12 "	36.
Ald Hammond " " 12 "	36.
Harmanus Tallman Coroner fees 1 Qr 1st april	333.87
I A Isaacs Clk issuing tavern Licenses 40 Days	70.
Thomas Barnum work at mud machine	87.75
Nathan Comstock 10 casks oil	729.95
G Snethen *Snethen* Supt lights lamps 1 mo 1st June	659.48
James Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary	187.50
Josiah Hedden Do "	187.50
[*353] Henry Abell Special Justice 1 Qr salary	187.50
George B Rapalye Clerk "	187.50
R Stephens Assist Do "	200.
Jacob Hays for extra service officers Police	191.66
Do for officers conveying persons to Peny	21.
Geo. B Raymond for do City Prison 1 Qr	121.
Thomas Lovett act regr Harman from Montgomery to Grand	200.
James Wallace bal. buildg Sewer James St	165.84
Do " " " Batavia "	85.15
Do " " " Oak "	47.74
H Smith amt due pavg South St from Fulton market	76.41
R Pettigrew 1st payt for well in Broadway near Canal St	18.45
J P Roome Supt Repairs for Repairs	7089.58
J P Roome Do Fire Department	381.
Arthur Burtis Supt Of. A. House	5000.
Balance	$.778.23

Board adjourned

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

[354] At a Special meeting held agreably to the Charter of the City In Common Council June 1st 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor

Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall
James Fairlie
William Paulding Junr
Jacob B Taylor
} Esqrs Aldermen.

A Petition was presented from Asa Eastwood stating that he was born in the State of New Jersey & removed to the City of New York in the year 1792 at which place he resided untill the year 1817 that he then removed to the county of Onondaga in this State & from thence removed back to this City in April 1822 and he Humbly requested to be made a Freeman of this City Whereupon it was on motion *it was on motion* resolved that *that* the prayer of the petitioner be granted. Whereupon the Freeman's Oath was administered by his Honor the Mayor and it was further resolved that the sum [355] *that the sum* of Two dollars should be paid by said Asa Eastwood as a fee for admission to the rights of a freeman of the City of New York.

[356] In Common Council June 10th 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Lewis Ford
Robert McQueen	Wm Thorn
Asa Mann	David Marsh
Jacob B Taylor	Nathaniel Reynolds
Gerard De Peyster	David Seaman
Henry Mead.	

The minutes of the last regular & Special meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Isaac Auld holding the appointment of City measurer requesting to be appointed a City Weigher & to resign his office of City Measurer was read and referred to the Committee on Applications

[357] A petition for the establishment of a Hook & Ladder Com-

pany at Stagg town in vicinity of Fire Engine Com^{y} N^{o} 41 was referred to the Comm^{ee} on the Fire Department

A Petition of Henry Gilford for further time to pay Assessment for widening Harman Street was read & referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

A petition for a well at corner of Delancy & Columbia Street was referred to the Ald & Assist. of the 10th ward and Street Commissioner to report an Ordinance therefor.

A petition for an extension of the Sewer in Collect Street was presented and referred to the Canal Committee

A Petition of Thomas VanZandt for permission to build a Vault in Gold Street was referred to the Ald & Assist. of the Ward and St Comm^{r} to grant on the usual terms.

[358] The following Petitions were presented read and referred to the Market Committee for Stalls in the Market about to be erected at Old Slip. George Markels—Jesse J. Spicer Isaac Boyce Philip L Luff Jun^{r} Jacob H Ridabock, George Pessenger, Simon Seward—Alexander Anthony—Ebeneezer Ferris Mead Darrow. Gilbert Underhill John Phillips & Philip Hardman

A Petition was also presented from Peter Wilt praying to be permitted to exchange Stalls N^{o} 66 in Fulton Market for Stall N^{o} 53 in Same market was referred to the Same Com^{ee}

A petition was also presented from a number of Inhabitants residing in the vicinity of the *of the* Market erecting at Old Slip praying that said Market may be named Franklin Market was referred to the Same Committee

A Petition was also presented from William Ponsford John D Kent Thomas G Harrison & Peter Valentine Butchers holding Stalls in Fulton Market stating that they have [359] been prosecuted for rent due on their Stalls that they have in their opinion a sufficient defence in the Suits commenced against them for that the Corporation have failed in a condition of Great importance to them upon which the Stalls were rented, Viz that no licensed Butcher should stand in the Country market; but relying on the good faith of the Corporation they request that the said suits may be discontinued and the Market committee be directed to carry the said condition and agreement into effect Whereupon the Same was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Owners & Masters of Vessels navigating the North River stating the insufficiency of the Public basins to accommodate the River craft & praying that a Public basin may be established at the

foot of Chamber Street Also a Petition from a number of Owners of Property in the 3d & 5th wards praying that a [360] pier may be run out at the foot of Chamber St was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition that Canal Street may be paved between Varick and Chaple St was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Isabel Scott to be relieved from An Assessment for a Sewer in Thames St was referred to the Canal Committee

A Complaint that a Lot corner of Sullivan & Watts Street owned by the estate of George Streighthoff deceased, was in a state of Nuisance was referred to the City Inspector

A petition of Wm F Baker and Duncan P Campbell was received stating that an ordinance had issued directing them to make water St in front of their Lots also a permission to extend the bulkhead that a lot in the centre of the block is owned by Mary Macomb the wife of Robert Macomb who is unwilling or unable to carry the ordinance into effect & praying a grant [361] of the same or that permission be given to some other [person] able & willing to perform the same whereupon the Same was referred to the Finance Committee

A memorial from Captains Walton & Leek of the first District City Watch stating that in consequence of the extent of their district the public good requires that two additional assistants be appointed to said district was read and referred to the Watch committee

A Petition was received from Chas Cock praying that a tax assessed upon three lots in the Bowery one of which was owned by him may be apportioned and the collector directed to received from him the proportion due on the Lots owned by him was read and referred to the Finance Committee

[362] A Petition that the Street on the west side of Coenties Slip between water Street & South Street may be repaired, was referred to the Street Committee

A Remonstrance from the Vestry of Trinity Church against paving Carmine & Clarkson Streets was read and laid untill the Report of the Street Committee on that subject was considered, Upon the reading of that Report it was called up but the report of the Committee directing the paving of those Streets was adopted

A Petition of Sylvanus Stanford for relief from penalty incurred by selling liquor without license was referred to the Police Committee

A Memorial of John Eveleath stating that he is the patentee of a Machine called a Drudging Machine used in cleaning Channel ways

of Rivers & offering the same to the Corporation was read & referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[363] A Pet of Elizabeth Newson for relief from an Assessment for a Sewer in Thames St. was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Stephen Heustis to be appd Pound Master of the Ninth ward & of Edward Vermilya & Sands Laer to be appointed fence and Damage viewers of said ward accompanied with a recommendation of a number of the inhabitants of said ward was referred to the Aldn & Assistant of said ward

A Petition of Peter Hatfield to be appointed Inspector of Firewood was referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition of Abraham Quick owner of a Gig which had lately obtained a Prize as being of Superior Workmanship praying to be permitted to sell the same at Auction in the Street before the [364] Tontine Coffee House was read and the Prayer thereof Granted

A Memorial was received from Marinus Willett requesting in Consequence of the new plan for the improvement of that part of the City comprehended between Broom and Delancy Street in front of the water rights of the Corporation that a grant may be given to him of the water rights commencing from the bounds of his former grant & extending to the East Side of the contemplated Street to be called Tompkins Street, Also suggesting the propriety of rescinds so much of the Ordinance on that subject as relates to the Blocks and Bridges on the South Side of Delancy Street Whereupon that part which relates to the Grant was referred to Finance Committee and that in relation to the alteration of the Piers was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[365] A petition of Wm Bennet of bushwick Long Island praying for a grant of land under water opposite to ground owned by him in Bushwic aforesaid bounded by Grand Street—River Street—by Lot No 20 and by the River; which being read was referred to the Finance Committee

A Memorial of Edward Clark on the subject of supplying the City with water was read and referred to the Committee on that subject

A petition of Nathaniel L & George Griswold to be permitted to place a Buoy about fifty fathom S. East of the End of the Wharf on the East side of Fly market Slip to be secured by two Anchors the Buoy to be used for the purpose of hauling vessels off when the wind is on Shore and to warp them into dock without letting go their

Anchors which being read was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[366] A petition of William Brodie to be appointed a city Weigher was referred to the Commᵉᵉ on Applications

A petition of John Sidell First Marshall for permission to assign places for booths around the outside of the park at the ensuing celebration of the Anniversary of American Independance (4ᵗʰ July) was referred to the Committee on Public lands and Places

A petition of Smith Bloomfield for payment of Balance due him on Contract for building Sewer in Chapel Street was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Henry Fisher to be relieved from payment of Personal tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Wᵐ R Lowery for appointment as a measurer of Grain was referred to the Committee on Applications

[367] A Petition that Elm Street between Broome & Spring Streets may be paved & the side walks laid was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Samuel Carl for relief from fine incurred by incumbering the Street was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Sewell Cutting Lessee of room Nº 10 in Fulton Market requesting to be permitted to relinquish the lease of the same was referred to the Finance Committee

A Letter was received from Hayes Pennell resigning his Appointment as one of the Engineers of the Fire department of the City of New York which being read his resignation was accepted

A petition of Henry Rankin stating that in April 1803 he was appointed a Fireman but from some mistake his name was not inserted on the Minutes of the Common Council [368] & praying the present Clerk may give him the requisite certificate of service which being read was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition that Christie Street between Broome & Delancy Street may be regulated and paved was referred to the Street Committee.

A resignation of James Scott of his Appointment as one of the Engineers of the Fire Department of this City was read and accepted

A Petition that Love lane from the 8ᵗʰ Avenue be repaired was read & referred to the Road Committee

A Petition of Robert Hunter that proceedings may be suspended in relation to Beekman Street was read & laid on the table it was

afterwards called up and referred together with the report of the Street Committee on that subject to that Committee

[369] The Chief Engineer presented the Annual Return of his Departm[t] which was directed to be printed for the use of the members under the direction of the Committee on the Fire Department.

He also presented the following report

To the Corporation of the City of New York

The Chief Engineer respectfully reports that in compliance with the ordinance of the board of the 26[th] of December 1820 making it his duty to report the State of the Fire Departm[t] in the month of June in each year. instead of the month of November he now respectfully informs the Board that he has carefully inspected the various branches of the fire Department and herewith presents his annual return with the names of the Engineers, Foreman Firemen & Fire Wardens their places of abode Occupation &c. Also the places of Deposit of the respective machines whereby it will appear that the[re are] [*369A] Forty six Engines including two at the New Alms House there are also four hook & Ladder Trucks one hose waggon ten thousand two hundred & forty five feet of Hose in good order including Six hundred feet at the New Alms house twelve hundred and ten feet ordinary Eighty hundred and Eighty feet bad making in the whole twelve thousand three hundred and forty feet of Hose there are also two hundred and Sixty Eight Fire buckets. including Forty at the New Alms house in good order Eighty five broken (to be repaired) making in the whole three hundred and fifty three buckets. also Seventeen Ladders twenty, three hooks, one machine for throwing down Chimneys and One Copper Pump. The total number of Men attached to the Fire Department when the Companies are full including the Engineers and Fire Wardens are One thousand two hundred and Sixty nine but as there are now One hundred and fifty vacancies the present number is One. thousand One hundred and nineteen men, He further Respectfully Reports that since his last return the following Engines by direction of the board were [371] disposed of and replaced with new ones. In feb[y] 1821 Old Engine N[o] 3, was sold for $640 and the new One Cost $750, In June 1821 Old Eng[e] N[o] 25 was sold for $300 exclusive of the Hose and the new one Cost $808 In October 1821 Old Engine N[o] 5 was sold to A W Hardenbrook for $500 which sum is to be charged him on settlement of His account with the Corporation In November 1821 Old Engine N[o] 9 was sold for $600. during the present

* Clerk's error in numbering.—ED.

Year three new Engines Viz[t] N[os] 5, 9 & 28, were built at the Corporation yard under the direction of Jacob Roome Superintendant of Repairs which cost $596 each at least $154 a piece lower than the Corporation have heretofore paid for Engines of a similar size and in point of Workmanship & otherways far superior to any other belonging to the Corporation Engines N° 2 & 23 have also been rebuilt this Year at the Corporation Yard all which is respectf[y] submitted

(Signed) Thomas Franklin
Chief Engineer

[372] Alderman Fairlie presented a resolution referring it to the Committee on the Fire Department to consider and report if any & what amendments were necessary in the Law relative to the admission of Firemen which was agreed to

A Resolution to strike from the Roll of Fire engine Co[y] N° 13 certain Persons illegally admitted members was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

The Following persons were appointed Fire Wardens and Firemen the Chief Engineer Certifying the vacancies

Fire Warden First Ward

Cha[s] Rollinson Engraver 28 Pine St, Vice Joseph Curtis time expired

Hook & Ladder N° One

John Watts, merchant 114 Pearl St vice Lawrence V Deforest resigned.

D° " " N° 3

Saml Winant Carpenter 37 Vandam St vice Samuel Carl resigned —Dan'l Hadley Cooper Hudson vice Cornelius Vanvalen resigned— Alex[r] H Livingston Cabinet maker vice a vacancy.

[373] Fire Engine Company

N° 4.

James B Ackerman Chair maker 45 Henry St vice Ab. Suydam Res[d]

Cha[s] Piggot Painter 45 Elizabeth St vice George G Scofield res[d]

Joseph B Weeden Turner 159 William St vice David Wallace resig[d]

N° 6

John Selkirk Grocer Duane Slip vice Ritter Hadley resig[d]

N° 15

W^m S Moor, merch^t 200 Chatham vice Jacob Frost dock Master Grand St resigned

N° 32

Martin Flock Rope maker 363 Broome vice Philip Taber resig^d
Stephen Rudd Ropemaker 65 Allen St vice Daniel Slocum res^d

N° 25

Ephraim Force Brass Founder 265 Water vice Isaac Brown resigned

N° 26.

Horace Bidwell. Grocer 19 Catharine Slip vice Peter Mead

N° 30.

John Leech Rope maker Suffolk. vice Abraham Vreeland res^d

[374] N° 31.

William Day Mason 10 Watts Street. vice James Clark resigned.

N° 32

Jonathan D Stevenson Grocer. Forsyth St. vice John W Degraw, res^d

N° 36.

James Dench Tavern Keeper Varick St. vice Robert L Jaques resigned

N° 37.

Henry Larkins Manufacturer of Earthen ware vice Samuel Buchanan res^d
William Lee Carpenter Orchard St. vice Henry S. W. Lee Deceased

N° 39.

Joseph M Brown Merchant 288 Pearl St vice W^m A Berrian Resigned
James Wood Tin worker Green Wich St vice Samuel Maverick Resigned

[375] A Communication was received from the Counsel stating that George Manolt David Simmons And Albert Fisher had commenced actions in the Supreme Court against the Corporation for the Damages which they have sustained by being deprived of their Stalls in the Old Fly market in consequence of its being pulled down

Whereupon the Counsel was directed to enter his appearance for the Corporation and to defend the Suit. It was also referred to the Law Committee to employ such additional Counsel as they may judge proper

The Counsel presented for execution a deed to James Fairlie & Philip Brasher—with the following report

The Counsel herewith respectfully Submits for execution a deed to James Fairlie and Philip Brasher of parts of Lots N° 3 & 4 of the Lots situated on the block of ground sold by the Corporation situated between Washington & West Streets & between Dey & Fulton Streets.

[376] The whole of those two lots were purchased by Messrs Fairlie & Brasher from the Corporation Two feet in width of Lot N° 4 was therefore Conveyed by their request by the Corporation to W^m H. Ireland & Twelve feet of Lot N° 3 to Leonard Kip & Henry E Ingraham the residue of three Lots being twenty six feet in width are now confirmed in the deed herewith Submitted

(Signed) Ogden Edwards

Whereupon the same was directed to be duly executed

The City Inspector on the petition referred to him relative to a nuisance in Lawrence Street reported as follows

The City Inspector on the petition referred to him at the last meeting of the board relative to a Nuisance in Lawrence Street

Respectfully Reports

That the lots on that Street that required correction have been Ordinanced, that generally the Ordinances have been complied with nothing however, has [377] been done on five lots where the nuisance complained of exists they belong to Assignees of insolvent Debtors and an Absentee

As there is much stagnant water on this sunken ground and no coercive means within reach of compelling the Abatement of the Nuisance it is recommended that it be filled in at the public charge and a Lien held on the property for the expence incurred, particularly as the approaching warm Season renders it necessary for the health of the inhabitants of the neighbourhood

Respectfully Submitted

Signed George Cumming
City Inspector

Which was approved and he was directed to cause the Nuisance forthwith to be abated

He also presented Ordinances for correction of Sundry Nuisances which were passed Viz[t]

The City Inspector [378] respectfully reports the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances

N[o] 1	Mrs Hosack	Occupant	19	Murray	A Lot.
2	Henry Rutgers	Owner		Harman	"
3	W[m] Fay	D[o]		Chrystie	"
4	D D Tompkins	D[o]		D[o]	"
5	Cha[s] Hull	Lessee		D[o]	"
6	B Mooney	Owner		Prince "	"
7	S Campbell	D[o]	90	Water St	"
8	J Janeway	D[o]	19	Cross St	"
9	J Irving	Occupant		D[o]	"
10	A L Stewart	Owner		Greenwich	"

(Signed) Geo. Cumming
C. I.

The Counsel presented the Draft of a Law to amend the law to regulate the removal of filth and dirt from the Streets which was read by Paragraphs and passed & directed to be published in the papers employed by the Board

The Comptroller presented the following

The Comptroller respectfully reports that the account of the Superintendant of the Alms House for the Quarter ending 30[th] [379] April last and the account Current of work done on 3[d] Avenue for the same period both examined and Certified as correct by the Comm[e] are received and filed in his office

Herewith is presented the Annual report of the Alms House Bridewell and Penitentiary shewing the number of Paupers &c to 1[st] of April last

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) G N Bleecker
Compt[r]

[380] Annual Report of the superintendant of the Alms House Bridewell Penitentiary of the City of New York Shewing the number of Paupers who have been admitted into the Alms House from the 1[st] day of April 1821 (including those at that time in the House) to the 1[st] day of April 1822 and the number discharged and who died in the House during the same period Also the number of Paupers now in the house designating their sex and places of Birth; the Prisoners and Vagrants confined in Bridewell & Penitentiary the Maniacs

in the City Asylum; Also an Account of Money &c distributed among the Out door poor by the Commissioners during the time aforesaid.

Paupers in, and admitted in the Alms House from the 1st day of April 1821 to the 1st day of April 1822..... 3762
Do discharged 1939, Died 378 Total Discharged and died..... 2317
Remaining in the House April 1st 1822..... 1445

Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total	City of N York	State of N. Y.	United States	England	Scotland	Ireland	Germany	France	W Indies	Africa	Total
451	433	334	227	1445	719	97	115	96	30	310	58	7	9	4	1445

[381] Number of Prisoners and Vagrants confined in the Bridewell the 1st day of April 1822

Men..... 74
Women..... 57 Total 131

Number of prisoners and Vagrants Confined in the Penitentiary the 1st day of April 1822

Men..... 222
Women..... 132 Total 354

Number of Maniacs in City Asylum at the Expence of the Alms House April 1st 1822

Men..... 6
Women..... 21 Total 27

Cash Distributed to the Out door Poor from the 1st day of April 1821 to the 1st day of April 1822..... $3404.29
Distributed 1699 Loads of Wood to Same including cartage &c $3402.91
Do 3311 Bushels of Potatoes to same do do do $931.68 $4334.50
Total $7738.88

Hospital accounts for Supporting Maniacs during the last twelve months $1705.17

New York April 1st 1822

(Signed) Arthur Burtis Supt.

[382] Where[upon] the Report of the Superintendant was directed to be published for the use of the Members

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the Petition of Peter Schermerhorn reported Viz[t]

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the communication from Peter Schermerhorn requesting permission to erect a pier in front of his property near the foot of Rector Street.

Report That they have viewed the situation of the property and can see no objection to complying with the request of Mr. Schemerhorn. They therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Peter Schermerhorn be and is hereby permitted to erect a pier in front of his property near the foot of Rector St. under the direction of the St Commissioner

(Signed) Wm H Ireland
James Hall
Elam Williams
Asa Mann
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[383] The Same Committee on the petition for reserving the East side of Peck Slip for Market Boats reported Vizt.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of Sundry inhabitants residing in the vicinity of Peck Slip praying that the east side of said Slip may be exclusively reserved for market Boats.

Report,

That they have duly considered the prayer of the petitioners and are of opinion that it ought not to be granted inasmuch as it would be adopting a species of favoriteism not warranted by any existing laws of this board and opening a door to similar applications from different parts of the city, which might hereafter become a subject of complaint from the masters of every other description of vessels that have a right to the use of the Public Slips Your Committee see no reason why all who pay wharfage to the public should not be put upon the same footing therefore [384] submit the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

Signed Wm H. Ireland
James Hall
Elam Williams
Asa Mann
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire department to whom had been referred the Law for preventing and extinguishing fires reported the Law amended which was approved & the Law was passed & directed to be published

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition for paving the side walks in Allen Street reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition praying that the side walks in Allen Street from grand to Stanton Street may be paved report that in *their* [the] opinion of your Committee the prayer of the [385] petitioners ought to be granted for the reasons set forth in their said petition and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved

That the Side walks of Allen Street from Grand to Stanton Streets *pe* [be] paved and the Street [Commissioner] report an ordinance to carry the same into effect

Signed Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
David Marsh.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Grand Street reported Viz[t]

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition Report.

That they see no cause why the Prayer of the Petitioners should not be granted and therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved "that Grand Street be [386] regulated and paved from Forsyth to Ludlow Street

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
David Marsh
W[m] H. Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition to pave Green Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within petition to have Green Street paved from Spring to Bleecker Street Report that

in their opinion the request ought to be granted and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Green Street be paved & regulated from Spring to Bleecker Street

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
David Marsh

Which [was] approved and the resolution adopted.

[*386] The Same Committee on the petition to pave Courtlandt Alley reported Vizt

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of the owners of property on Courtlandt alley between White & Franklin Street praying that the same may be paved respectfully Report their opinion by the following resolution

Resolved that Cortlandt alley be regulated and paved from White to Franklin Street

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Wm H. Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition to pave Carmine St reported Vizt

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry of the proprietors of property in Carmine St between Hudson & Herring [387] Streets praying to have the said Street Regulated and paved

Report that they have viewed the premises and are of opinion the request of the petitioners ought to be granted in as much as from the manner in which the street is regulated the water can pass off in no other manner than by the culverts opening into the Minetto Sewer the greater part of which are covered to prevent the Sewer from being filled with Sand which of Necessity would be the case were they to be opened before the Street is paved

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

Your Committee would therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners be granted and that the Street Commr report an Ordinance to carry the Same into effect

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
David Marsh

The Memorial of the Vestry of Trinity Church was called up and read After Some discussion the question being taken on adopting the report [*389] and resolution of the Street Committee the same was carried in the affirmative

The Same Committee to whom had been referred the Petition and remonstrances on the Subject of Opening Beekman Street presented a report which after some discussion was referred back again together with a petition of Robert R Hunter to the same committee

The Same Committee to whom had been referred the petition for paving Broome Street report as follows

The Street Committee to whom had been referred the annexed petition for paving Broome Street from Mercer to Wooster St report their opinion in the following resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland
H J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[390] The Same Committee to whom was referred the memorial for opening and extending Broome St reported as follows.

The Street Committee to Whom was referred the annexed petition respectfully report their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved that Broome Street be opened and extended from Varick to Hudson Street and that the Counsel of this Board take the usual measures for carrying the same into effect

Signed Jacob B Taylor
Wm H. Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the vicinity of the Market about to be erected at Old Slip requesting that a bell might be placed on said market reported as follows.

[391] The Market committee to whom was referred an application from the inhabitants in the vicinity of Old Slip Market representing that they reside a considerable distance from any church or fire bell that they experience a great inconvenience therefrom especially firemen, they solicit that a cupola may be erected on the market for a fire Bell, A Gentleman in the neighbourhood being willing to present a bell suitable for the same

Report that your committee think the request a reasonable one and should be granted they recommend the *the* adoption of the following resolution

Resolved " that a suitable Cupola be erected on the market at Old Slip for a fire bell and that the market committee carry the same into effect

(Signed) Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
David Seaman

After some discussion and a motion to limit the expence to $120 the report was approved [392] and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred the several petitions for appointment to the office of Deputy clerk of the Market to be erected at Old Slip reported as follows

The Market committee to whom was referred the petition of George Dur Yea and others soliciting the appointment of Clerk to the old Slip market.

Report they have had all the applications before them they appear to be good men and well qualified to perform the duties, as but one however can be appointed the Committee have concluded to recommend George Dur Yea as a proper person for clerk of said market for that purpose they recommend the following resolution

Resolved that George Dur Yea be and he hereby is appointed Clerk of and Sweeper of the market erected at Old Slip

Signed Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
David Seaman

Which was approved the resolution adopted [393] and George Dur Yea appointed Deputy Clerk of said market.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the Resolution of the Common Council directing the renting of the several Stalls of the Markets except Fulton market at private Contract reported Viz[t]

The Market. Committee to whom was referred the resolution of the Common council of the 14[th] of May 1822. directing them to rent the Stalls in the several markets of this City except Fulton Market, at private contract

Report that on the 21[st] day of January 1822 the Common Council instructed the Market Committee to rent the several Stalls in the several markets of this city (Fulton market excepted) at public Auction at the expiration of the term for which the Butchers stands were then let in consequence of some disagreement of the committee the subject was again brought before the Common Council on the 29[th] of April 1822 at which time it [394] was resolved that the market committee be requested to carry the resolution of the 21[st] of Jan[y] into effect, The mode of renting the stalls at public Auction appears to be the most equitable and just of any other, inasmuch as every Butcher may make his own calculations as to what price he can afford to pay for such stand, this however may apply more particularly to new markets it is said of those markets in operation that some of the holders in consequence of their application to business Capital &c have rendered their Stands more valuable than others which are in every respect equally good the effect of leasing them at public Auction would induce persons desirous of Obtaining Stalls to offer more than they could pay or the business warrant and at the same time deprive those more prudent (former occupants) of their Stall and living and that such a course would be injurious to the market and would add nothing to the Public revenue the committee have agreed to offer the board their opinion in the following resolution which they beg leave to Submit

[395] Resolved that the stalls in all the Markets of this City except the Fulton market and Old Slip markets be leased at private contract for one year from the first of may last.

Signed Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
David Seaman

Which report was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Arts & Sciences to whom was referred the subject of purchasing a Hydrometer reported Viz[t]

The Committee to whom was referred a proposal for procuring a graduated Hydrometer as a Standard for first proof Spirits by which other Hydrometers may be regulated have considered the same & upon enquiry find E. Southworth's Hydrometers is an improved one and will not cost more than twenty dollars offer the following resolution

Resolved that E Southworths Hydrometer be purchased if [it] does not cost [396] over Twenty dollars & left with His Honor the Mayor to be hung up in his office as a Standard when called upon to regulate the different Hydrometers of the City.

Signed) Robert, McQueen
Henry J Wyckoff
W[m] Paulding Jun[r]

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of 8[th] ward to whom the Petition for a well corner of Mercer & Prince Street was referred reported Viz[t]

The Ald & Assistant of the 8[th] ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Sundry Persons praying that a well and pump may be placed near the intersection of Mercer & Prince Streets

Report that in their opinion the request of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves St. Comm[r]

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[397] The Ald. & Asst. of the 8[th] ward and St. Com[r] to whom was referred the petition for a well and pump corner of Bedford & Arden Street reported. Viz[t]

The Ald & Assist of the 8[th] ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons praying that a well & Pump may be placed near the intersection of Bedford and Arden Streets report their opinion by the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves, St Comm[r]

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Ferry committee to whom was referred the Petition of Daniel D Tompkins & Noah Brown & also that of the Richmond Turnpike & Nautilus Steam boat companyes reported as follows

[398] The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the petition of Daniel D Tompkins and Noah Brown and also of the Richmond turnpike and Nautilus Steam boat Company lessee of pier N° 1 and part of Whitehall Slip.

Respectfully Report.

that they have had the subject under their deliberate consideration and from a careful investigation of all the circumstances in relation thereto your Committee are of opinion that the charges brought against the corporation for sundry repairs done to the premises since they were in possession of the lessees are not founded on any condition expressed or implied in their respective leases, but as the Corporation did by their resolutions, reported by their committees and accepted by the board agree to do certain things by way of improving said premises and which have not as yet been Complied with Your Committee would recommend that the improvements contemplated by the said resolutions be entered upon and completed as soon as practicable

That a deduction of $10 per Annum be made from the rent of Pier N° 1 in consideration of a portion of the [399] waters and pier being appropriated for enlarging and improving the Battery And that the sum of $500 be allowed and deducted from the rents now due to the Corporation by the said Lessees in consideration of any Loss and damage the said lessees may have sustained by and in consequence of the non-compliance on the part of this board with the stipulations expressed in the said reports of their Committees.

Your Committee forbear entering into a more particular detail of the circumstances connected with this subject as they are (it is presumed) generally understood by this board Your Committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions

Resolved that a Bulkhead be extended from Pier N° 1 East River on a line with the Southerly Side of South Street to the center Pier in Whitehall Slip that the bridge in said pier be removed and a block sunk therein and the Space between the Battery the aforesaid Piers and the Bulkhead [400] be filled up

Resolved that the sum of Ten dollars per annum be deducted from the Lease of Pier No. 1. commencing with the date of said Lease in consideration of, and for that part of said Pier N° 1 comprehended within the line of the Battery

Resolved that the sum of five hundred dollars be deducted from the rents due and owing the Corporation of this City by the Lessees of Pier N° 1. and part of Whitehall Slip in consideration of any Loss or damage the said Lessees may have sustained by and in consequence of the non compliance on the part of the board in having those improvements made to the premises which were contemplated by the said Lessees.

Signed Elam Williams
Asa Mann
Lewis Ford.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Assessment for building a Sewer in Cedar Street with the objections thereto reported as follows

[401] The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Assessment for building a Sewer in Cedar St with the objections thereto respectfully Report

That your Committee have carefully examined the subject of complaint and are of Opinion that the Assessment is equitably and judiciously made and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Assessment for building a Drain in Cedar Street between Lumber St. and the bulkhead at Albany basin be confirmed and a collector appointed thereto

Signed) Nathaniel Reynolds
Lewis Ford
Jacob B Taylor
Shivers Parker

Which was approved, the Assessment confirmed, and Noah Jarvis appointed collector.

The Committee on Assessments ton the petition of George Youle reported as follows. Viz[t]

The Committee on Assessments. [402] to whom was referred the petition of George Youle stating that he is assessed in the 4[th] ward where he has paid his tax and likewise in the Ninth ward

Report.

that your Committee are of opinion that the petitioners domicile is in the 4[th] Ward and that he ought to be relieved from the tax assessed on his personal property in the ninth ward offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Ninth ward refrain from col-

lecting the Tax assessed on the personal property of George Youle in said ward and return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

Signed) Wm Thorn
Thomas Bolton
Henry Mead
Nathaniel Reynolds
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of the Trustees of the Episcopal Charity Free School reported as follows

[403] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of D P. Campbell in behalf of the Protestant Episcopal Charity School

Report that they are of opinion that the Premises are exempt from taxation beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the collector of the Eighth ward refrain from collecting tax Assessed on the said School house lot and return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said ward

Signed) Wm Thorn
Nathaniel Reynolds
David Marsh
Thomas Bolton
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Chas De Bost. reported as follows Vizt

The Committee on Assessments to [404] whom was referred the petition of Chas De Bost

Report. that the petitioner has been noticed twice to appear before said Committee to satisfy them that his statement is true which he has neglected to do and as there is no proof before your Committee to satisfy them that relief ought to be granted respectfully offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the petition of Charles De Bost ought not to be granted.

Signed) Wm Thorn
Nathaniel Reynolds
David Marsh
Thomas Bolton
Henry Mead.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Mary Green reported Viz[t]

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Mary Green

Report that the Assessors of the Sixth ward have given a certificate that the petitioner ought not to pay any personal tax which certificate is hereunto annexed respectfully offer the following resolution.

*[404] Resolved that the Collector of the Sixth ward refrain from Collecting any tax on the Personal Property of Mary Green and return the Same in the list of Errors and Insolvencies of said ward.

Signed) William Thorn
Nathaniel Reynolds
David Marsh.
Thomas Bolton
Henry Mead.

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted

The Finance Committee on the petition of Elinor Fitzpatrick reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Elinor Fitz Patrick respectfully report

That the petitioner is possessed of an estate for her life in a House and Lot of Ground at the corner of Harman and Market Streets upon which $357. have been imposed for the opening and improving of the former Street, that this Assessment was due on the 1[st] day of August 1820. and that time was given [405] to the petitioner to enable her to provide the means of paying it that she has not however been able to procure funds necessary for that purpose; having been defrauded as she declares of the rents of the said house & of other property by Patrick Kearney to whose wife this estate will descend at the death of the petitioner. It appears also that the petitioner is an aged and infirm widow of Seventy is entirely dependant upon the rents of this estate for her subsistence and has no means of satisfying the said assessment She proposes therefore to pay the interest on said Assessment from the time of its confirmation to the 1[st] day of May last and in future to pay the interest which may accrue upon the same quarterly half yearly or annually. Your Committee are of opinion that inasmuch as this assessment will permanently benefit the land upon which it has been imposed it ought not to be entirely borne by the tenant for life but that the person entitled to the remainder thereof in fee should contribute her just proportion towards payment of the

* Clerk's error in numbering.—ED.

same They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the collection of the tax of $357 [406] imposed on a lot of ground at the corner of Harman and Market Street wherein the petitioner has an estate for her life is hereby suspended until the further order of this board upon the condition, however that She Shall immediately pay the interest that was due upon the said assessment on the first day of May last and that the Petitioner shall also pay on the first days of November and May in each year the interest that shall hereafter become due upon the said assessment.

Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall
John D. Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of William S Ross reported Vizt

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Wm S Ross expressing a wish to lease of the Corporation of this City a gore of land at the corner of Anthony and Little Water Street.

[407] Report that in the opinion of your Committee the safety of that part of the City in which this lot of Ground is situated will require at no very distant period the erection of a House for the reception of a Fire engine and that the said piece of land is well situated and will suffice for that object. It is of less value than any other corporation property in that vicinity which would answer equally for that purpose

Your Committee in compliance with this opinion submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
H J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall
John D Brown

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Lewis Valloo reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Lewis Valloo

[408] Respectfully Report

That the petitioner is the owner of the Lot and House formerly N° 73 in Harman Street which has been assessed $333 for opening and improving that Street that this assessment was due on the 1st day of August 1820 & that time had been given to the petitioner for the payment thereof but that owing to his ill health he has not been able to satisfy the same. He therefore asks the further indulgence of this board and proposes to pay the said assessment in May 1823 and to discharge September next the interest which may have accrued upon the same

Your Committee considering the prayer of the petitioner to be reasonable Submit the following resolution

Resolved that the collection of the assessment of $333 imposed on the property of Lewis Valloo in Harman Street ought to be suspended until the 1st day of May 1823: provided that on the 1st day of September next the petitioner shall pay the interest which shall then [409] have accrued upon the said Assessment.

Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H. Ireland
James Hall
Jno. D Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Elias J Kent reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Elias J Kent. representing his desire to purchase of the Corporation of this City a triangular piece of land at the corner of Anthony and Little Water Street report.

That in the judgement of your Committee the safety of that part of the City in which this lot of ground is situated will require at no very distant period, the erection of a House for the reception of a Fire Engine and that the said piece of land is well situated and will suffice for that object. It is of less value than any other Corporation property in that vicinity which would answer equally well for that purpose.

In conformity with this opinion your [410] Committee recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H. Ireland
James Hall
John D Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of the Collectors of taxes reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of several of the Collectors of taxes in this City with authority to extend the time for collecting the Same to the 1st of July and no longer Report.

That your committee have been advised by the Counsel of this Board that further time for the collection of those taxes cannot be given to the Collectors thereof without contravening the law of the State for the assessment and collection of taxes They therefore ask leave to submit the following resolution

[411] Resolved that the Finance Committee is discharged from the further consideration of the said petition

Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall
Jno. D Brown

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Elizabeth Kraffts reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Kraffts

Report. That the petitioner is the owner of a House and four lots of land at Greenwich which She has mortgaged and which will be required for the Sixth Avenue whenever it shall be opened. She represents herself as an aged necessitous woman without relations in this country: and She proposes to sell this property to the Corporation or to lease it to them during her natural life

Your Comittee deeming it improper to grant the request of the Petitioner submit the following resolution.

[412] Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Signed) Wm H Ireland
James Hall
John D Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of George Strite reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of George Strite.

Respectfully Report That the Petitioner is a lessee of the Corporation of this City whose term of lease will expire next spring that he wishes either to surrender his lease immediately to avoid as he says further loss which he is illy able to bear or he would renew the said lease for a term of years upon such conditions as might be agreed upon between the said parties.

Your Committee not perceiving any good reason for complying with the request of the petitioner submit the following resolution.

[413] Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
(Signed) Wm H. Ireland.
James Hall.
Jno. Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Street Commissioner presented the following ordinances which were passed. Vizt An Ordinance for building a bulkhead at Fly market Slip & for filling the space between the Old and New Bulkhead and Benjamin Prince, John Targee and John Bre[o]wer were appointed assessors.

Also for a Well and Pump in Mercer Street near Prince Street and the Same assessors were appointed.

Also for a Well and Pump in Arden, between Bedford and Herring Street & Peter H Wendover John Bedient & John Salisbury were appointed Assessors.

Also for paving Broome Street from Mercer St. to Wooster St. & Francis Peckwell Isaac Kip & James Bleecker were appointed assessors.

Also an ordinance for regulating and Paving [414] Carmine Street from Hudson to Herring St and Peter H Wendover James Bleecker and John Salisbury were appointed assessors.

Also for paving Courtlandt alley from Franklin to White Street & Benjamin Prince Ab. Dally and John Brower were appointed assessors.

Also for regulating & Paving Grand Street from Forsyth to Ludlow Street and Benjamin Prince John Targee & Peter H Wendover were appointed assessors.

Also an Ord. for paving the Side walks in Allen Street from grand to Stanton Street and Abraham Dally John Brower and Isaac Kip were appointed assessors.

Also an ordinance for regulating & Paving Green Street from Spring to Bleecker St and John Targee John Bedient and Benjamin Prince were appointed Assessors.

He also presented an assessment for a Well and Pump in Broadway between Canal and Howard Sts which was confirmed and Noah Jarvis appointed Collector.

[415] Also an Assessment for a Well and Pump in Grand near Allen Street which was confirmed and Morris De Camp appointed Collector

The Committee on Applications presented a report recommending that Carrol M Gahagan be appointed Collector of Arrearages of Taxes. which was approved and he was appointed accordingly.

A Resolution that the law to prevent Swine from running at large be so amended as to exclude from its operation the 7th & 10th ward was referred to the Aldermen and Assistants of those wards.

Mr. Parker presented the following—Resolved that the Market Committee be directed to rent at Public Auction the Butchers Stalls in the Old Slip Market, until the 1st of May next. After Some discussion the question was taken thereon and carried in the Affirmative the Ayes & Noes having been called by Alderman Taylor were as follows.

[416] Affirmative Ald, Wyckoff, Fairlie, Paulding, McQueen Mann, De Peyster, Messrs Bolton, Harper, Ireland, Brown, Parker, Thorn, 12

Negative Ald. Williams Hall Taylor Mead Messrs Ford Marsh Reynolds. Seaman 8.

Ald Taylor gave notice that he would at next meeting move for a reconsideration

Resolved that the Supt of Repairs be and he is hereby authorised

to cause the wharf at the South Side of Market Slip and the L on the South side of Albany Basin to be repaired.

An additional Rule to the Rules & Regulations was proposed directing that all papers addressed to the board Should be delivered to the President or Clerk on or before One oClock of the day on which the board meet that a brief Statement of the contents should be made to the Board by the President but that any member who might call for the reading at length of any paper presented [417] which was laid for consideration

At the request of Ald. Wyckoff he was excused from serving on the Market Committee & Mr Bolton was appointed in his place Mr Bolton was also excused from serving on the Committee of Assessments and Ald Wyckoff was appointed in his stead

The following Gentlemen were appd A Committee to make arrangements for the Celebration of the ensuing Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence. Ald Taylor. Mead Messrs Thorn Harper Bolton

The Comptroller reported balance in the Treasury 27 May.....	$778.23
Received for tax of 1821 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10th, wards.....	22200.
" Rents	6062.40
	29.040.63

46 Accounts Audited

Leek and Walton watch 1st district.....	1002.75
Hibberd and Clark Do 2nd "	645.75
[418] Bleakly & Brower, Watch 3d dist.....	435.75
S. Allen. Esqr Mayor 1 Qr Saly 12th inst.....	750.
George Cumming City Inspector do. 1st inst.....	200.
Wm J Waldron Assistt 1 month "	47.25
Obadiah Ayres " " "	47.25
Geo. Mills Asst Bd of Health "	47.25
Benjn Hicks " " "	47.25
Astin and Cochrane Messengers "	54.
Samuel Hutchings St. Inspr "	54.25
Jonathan Pinckney Do "	54.25
Abraham Ackerman do "	54.25
Andrew McCready Keeper of the Park.....	34.87
Chas Gilman " Battery.....	34.87
Daniel H Magee do Potters field.....	38.75
Richard Smith Clk Washington Market.....	42.
John Bremner " Catharine "	36.75
Peter Ammerman " 6 Markets	34.50
Ezra Frost Fulton Market.....	41.66
Isaac Asten Sweeper "	54.09
B Skaats to buy fuel for Watch houses &c.....	800.

Ogden Edwards Counsellor and drafting laws	175.50
John Ritchie preparing Ammn for troops 26 Novr	56.10
John Curtis Coach hire	37.
A. T. Goodrich 11 maps of the *maps of the* City for members of Board	55.
Robert Provoost Repairing lamps 1 mo. 1st inst	84.34
David Lyon Repairs and Hose to Engines	807.59
[419] David Bryson Rent of House for Engine No 12. in Jacob St in 1818	50.
Manhattan Company water for Fulton Mark	13.33
Richard Hatfield Clk of Sessn 1 Qr Salary 2nd inst	500.
Richard Hatfield do. to pay Witnesses	41.90
B Skaats cryer of Court one Qr Salary 2nd inst	25.
Thomas Lovett Acct buildg Sewr in Grand St	500.
G Tucker & Woodruff act. buildg " in Thompson "	500.
Thomas Lovett regulating Canal Street	300.
John Brown regg Scammel St from Cherry to Lombardy	216.
J Culbert bal. pavig Canal fr. Broadway to Church St	182.19
H Smith acct pavg Grand St between Mercer and Green	180.
Chas Mooney Acct buildg Sewer in Thames St	80.
Tucker & Woodruff acct masons work Old Slip Markt	500.
Philetas Woodruff acct Carpenters work Do	500.
David Reeves bal. building Well in Lewis St	66.
J P Roome Supt Repairs for pump logs &c	282.68
J. P. Roome Do for Repairs bulkhead Piers &c	2022.19
Mechanics bank bond and interest	16426.98
	$28.158.98
Balance	$.881.65

Board adjourned.

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

JUNE 24, 1822 TO JANUARY 6, 1823

[1] In Common Council June 24th 1822.

Present, The Honorable Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
Wm Paulding Junr	Lewis Ford
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	William Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Gerard Depeyster	Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead	David Seaman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A Return from John L Broome Clerk of the City and County of New York was received certifying that at the late Special election held in the second ward of the City for the purpose of electing a constable for said ward John Wintringham was by the greatest number [2] of votes elected a constable of said ward Mr Wintringham attended and the oaths prescribed by law & the charter were administered to him. by his Honor the Mayor.

A Petition from Owners of real estate & Inhabitants of Dover Street complaining of the situation of that Street & requesting the interference of the Board to remedy the evil complained of was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition that the side walks in Broome Street between Allen & Essex street may be paved was referred to the Street commee

A Memorial from owners of property in Herring Street requesting that as an ordinance has passed for curbing & Gravelling that Street from Christopher to Bleecker Street that each owner may be permitted to perform the work himself opposite his own premises whereupon it was referred to the Street Committee with authority to grant the request of the Petitioners

[3] A Petition from masters of vessels now plying between this city and ports in the States of New Jersey and frequenting Counties Slip complaining that other vessels than those contemplated by the law of the Corporation in relation to vessels lying in said Slip do occupy the Same And a memorial of a similar nature from ye Owners

and Inhabitants in the vicinity of said Slip were read and referred to the Committee on Laws.

A memorial from the Inhabitants residing in the Vicinity of the central Presbyterian church lately erected in Broome Street praying that a capacious cistern may be made in front of Said church for the supply of water in cases of fire, was read and referred to the Commee on the Fire Department

A petition of Philip L Luff for license as a Butcher was referred the Market Committee Similar Petitions from Jacob Boice George Clinch George Manold & Philip Hardman was referred to the same Committee with powers

[4] A Petition from Sundry Owners and Inhabitants in Charleton and Prince Street praying to pave Charlton Street and the Side walks from Greenwich Street to the river and to pave the side walks from Greenwich to Hudson St. to open and pave Charlton Street from Hudson to McDougall Street to pave and regulate Prince Street and the side walks from McDougall Street to Broadway & to extend the name of Charlton Street from McDougall St to the Bowery in exclusion of Prince Street was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Wm Schureman a Fire Warden of the city was received stating that at a fire in December last in Collect Street he in pursuance as he thought of his duty as a Fire Warden committed a young man of the name of Herman Martin who was conducting in an unbecoming manner to the custody of a Watchman the Watchman as petitioner was informed took the said lad to the Watchhouse and confined him until morning that for this imprisonment he has been [5] prosecuted and though only nominal damages were given the costs of suit have been considerable That as Petitioner acted conscientiously in discharging his duty he considers himself entitled to relief from the Corporation Whereupon the petition was referred to the Committee of the Fire Department,

A petition of John Heafield to be permitted to remove a Frame House from Canal St. to East side of Broadway was referred to the Alderman and assistant of 5th & 6th ward with powers.

A petition of Nicolas W Stuyvesant, for permission to remove some earth from the 1st Avenue to enable him to set his fences on the level of the road was referred to the road committee.

A petition of the Owners and inhabitants of Property in the vicinity of Washington market complaining of the want of accomodation for market Boats and other vessels at the basin in the vicinity

of, & praying that the middle pier of said Basin may be [6] *may be* extended to the entrance of the Basin

A Similar petition from Owners of Property & Masters of Vessels frequenting Albany Basin praying that the middle pier may be run out were read & referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Complaint of a nuisance existing at the corner of Franklin & Chapple Streets occasioned by the Sluice gate in the vicinity was presented and referred to the City Inspector,

A recommendation of George Foster to be employed on the City Watch was referred to the Watch Committee.

A Representation that the well and Pump in Beach Street near Collister Street was unfit for public use & a request that a new one might be sunk was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the ward.

A petition from Dennis Hannigan & others [7] that the cutting off the house at the South West corner of Lombardy & Walnut may be suspended for the present. was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of the inhabitants that South Street between Crane wharf & Peck Slip may be regulated and paved was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Seth Mallett for appointment to the office of Measurer of Grain was referred to the Committee of Applications

A petition of Thomas Mason for relief from a personal tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A petition of Phineas B Carman to rent one of the Cellars in the Old Slip (now Franklin) market was referred to the Market committee

A petition of Michael McLaughlin for relief from a Judgement obtained against him on a complaint for taking sods from the Street & on which he was now in confinement was referred to the Police committee with Powers

[8] A petition of James Rogers for relief from fine for selling liquor without license was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition in behalf of John Jay for permission to construct a vault in Walker Street & from Saml Alley to construct one in Beekman Street was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of 2nd ward and Street Commr with authority to grant on usual terms,

A Petition of Elias Dixon was received stating that in 1807 he was appointed a Fireman but from a mistake of the former Clerk, his name is not entered on the Common Council Minutes & praying that the present Clerk may give him the requisite Certificate, which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Remonstrance against a proposed alteration in the City Watch by which that part of the City Hall district which includes Cross Collect Elm [&] Anthony St was read and laid on the table. until the [9] report of the watch committee was read. The report of the Watch Committee was read afterwards and agreed to.

A petition of Stewart Elder Lessee of Cellar N° 9 under Fulton market requesting leave to relinquish his lease was referred to the Finance Committee

A petition of Thomas Forman a watchman disabled while in the performance of his duty & praying relief was read and referred to the Committee on Charity

A proposal of Abraham Stagg to dig out & regulate Henry Street & to clear out all rocks & Dirt from Gouverneurs lane to Grand St agreably to the Regulations & to compleat the whole in two Years, was read and referred to the Street Comm^ee

A Proposal of James Ridgeways to exchange some ground in Anthony Street for ground belonging to the Corporation was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[10] A petition of Robert wilson for remission of fine incurred by transferring his Store for retailing liquor to a place different from that for which he was licensed was read and referred to the Police Committee

An account of Higgins & Park for balance due for regulating Lombardy Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A[n] invitation from J P Drake to visit his Painting of the Flight into Egypt now exhibiting at the New York institution was read and accepted.

A petition of Mary Hilleker (widow of John Hilleker deceased) and of James Hilleker her son praying that License as a butcher may be given to said James Hilleker & that Stall N° 4 Centre market lately occupied by his Father may be assigned to him was read and referred to the Market Committee with powers.

A petition of John Chivis & Ernest Keyser Butchers holding Stalls in the [11] Washington Market praying to be permitted to exchange stalls with each other was referred to the Market Committee with powers

A petition of David Polly for appointment of a measurer of Coal for Greenwich Village was referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition of Joseph Jewett for the appointment of City Weigher was referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition of Christian Klinch for permission to have a stall for

the Sale of Sausages on the outside of the Market at Old Slip (Franklin Market) was referred to the Market Committee.

A petition of Christian Rush an officiating minister of the African church praying relief from a personal Tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition from Charles McEvers, for relief from tax in first ward having been assessed and paid tax in 9th ward was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

[12] A Petition of Jonathan Thompson and others owners of real estate in Beekman Street praying that the said Street may be opened on the line usually denominated the middle line adopted by the Corporation which being read was referred to the Street Committee.

A Letter from Thomas VanZandt as agent for the Eestate of Townsend Underhill deceased was at the same time received stating that it being understood that some of the Corporation objected to opening Beekman Street on account of the Expence of the buildings lately erected by Messrs Schemerhorn and Mapes. he offered to take those buildings remove them and pay the whole amount of the valuation lately made by the Commissioners, Whereupon the same was referred to the Street Committee.

A Report was received from Wm Hooghland keeper of the Penitentiary stating the names of the Convicts lately escaped from the Penitentiary and giving an account of the [13] manner of their escape from the keepers which was referred to the Police Committee.

A Presentment was received from the Grand Jury of the court of Sessions of June term in which they present as nuisances dangerous to the Safety & morals of the Community the Vauxhall garden occupied by Timothy Madden and the other gardens in the city in which Fireworks are exhibited they State that the concourse of People drawn together by those exhibitions is dangerous to the peace and personal safety of the inhabitants which was read and referred to the Police committee.

A petition of sundry Inhabitants that Lamps may be extended in Grand Street & Division St to the Ferry was referred to the Lamp Commee

A petition of Abraham Brewer for Relief from tax imposed on him he being an Artillerist and exempt was read and referred to the Commee on Assessments

A Memorial was received from Robert M Livingston [14] remonstrating against a proposed opening of Vestry Street to Hudson Street

through grounds owned by him offering to cede the Same upon proper remuneration which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

The following were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Hook and Ladder N° 4.

David Keys Cooper 39 Suffolk. v Abraham Florentine Res[d]

Fire Engine Company

N° 7.

James Kissam Broker. 201 Spring St. vice Michael Ryer. Time out

Palmer Vandyne Sadler 41 Leonard St.

vice Francis Lyon resigned.

Lewis De Forest Tailor 5 Banker Street to fill Vacancy

N° 15.

Henry W Merrit Clerk 184 Chatham St.

vice Michael Vermilye time out

N° 18

John Earle Grocer. 12 Elm Street vice Richard Wight.

N° 28

W[m] Delamater Ship Carpenter Broome St vice James Banter (Resigned) & Isaac J Delamater Carpenter Broome Vice Charles Roe resigned

[15] N° 33

Stephen Barker Shoemaker Lewis St.

vice Peter Van Cott. time out.

N° 38

Nicholas Tripple Paint Manufacturer Bowery

vice John Bockus Resigned,

The Counsel presented for execution the following certificates for lots sold for Taxes & Assessments on the 18th day of December 1821 which certificates were directed to be duly executed Viz[t]

The Counsel herewith respectfully submits for execution the following Certificates for lots sold for taxes and Assessments on the 18th day of December 1821.

A Certificate to Isaac J Lockwood for a lot of ground situate on the westerly side of Orange Street between Pump Street and Hester Street extending twenty five feet in breadth in Orange Street and is known and designated as Lot N° 95 in a certain Map filed in the office

of Street Commissioner of Property assessed for defraying the expence of making Collect Street Sewer and also known and designated as lot N° 612 on a map of Bayards East Farm. Sold for 10 Years

[16] Also a Certificate to Jacob Lorillard for Two lots of land fronting on Reason Street and lying to the East of Herring Street and designated on a certain map referred to by the Assessors who made the Assessment and which is filed in the office of the Street Commissioner as N° 220 which said lots of land were assessed as belonging to Henry Smith and sold for 50 years

Also a certificate to Andrew Smith for a lot of ground Bounded Southerly and Westerly by land formerly belonging to J C. Krafft deceased. Northerly by a certain alley and easterly by land belonging to unknown owners. Sold for fifty years

Also a certificate to Andrew Smith for Four lots of land Bounded northerly by a line Easterly by Union road Southerly by land of Andrew Giffords and Westerly by land of David Bryson Also four other lots of land Bounded Northerly by a lane easterly by the Jews Cemetery Southerly by land of Andrew Gifford and Westerly by a vacant piece of Ground or Street sold for Twenty Years

[17] Also a Certificate of W^m^ T Lawrence for two lots of Ground Bounded northerly in the rear by land of unknown owners Westerly by land [belonging] to Abijah Hammond Southerly Christopher Street and easterly by land belonging to T Richards sold for twenty five years

Also a Certificate to William T Lawrence for a lot of ground Bounded Northerly on 13th Street Easterly by land belonging H, H. Stevens, Southerly and Westerly by land belonging to unknown *unknown unknown* owners Assessed as belonging to Henry Smith and Designated by a map of property assessed for making the Minetto Sewer, filed in the Office of the Street Commissioner As N° 351 sold for Forty years

Also a certificate to William T Lawrence for two lots of land Bounded Northerly by Amos Street Westerly by land belonging to *Amos Street Westerly by land belonging to* abijah Hammond Southerly by Land belonging to unknown *unknown* Owners and Easterly by land belonging to C. Cole sold for 25 years.

[18] Also a Certificate [of] Thomas Hyatt for seven lots of land Bounded westerly by the Minetto Sewer Northerly by land of Mary Mann and Southerly by land of John Morss containing 1.$^{9}/_{100}$ acres said lot being designated on a map of property assessed for making

said Sewer filed in the office of the Street Commissioner as No. 453. and assessed as belonging to John Mann sold for twenty years

Also a Certificate to Stephen N Bayard for a lot of Ground bounded Easterly by Wooster Street Southerly by land of H Remsen. Northerly by the northerly half of Amity lane, and westerly by a part of Amity lane being one fourth part of so much of Amity lane as lies between Wooster and Lawrence Street and designated on a map of property assessed for making the Minetto Sewer as N° 712 and assessed as belonging to unknown owners sold for eleven years.

Also a Certificate to Cornelius Cadle for a lot of Ground Bounded westerly [19] by Wooster St, southerly by land belonging to H Remsen Northerly by the Northerly half of Amity lane and Easterly by Amity lane being one fourth part of so much part of Amity lane as lies between Wooster and Greene Streets and designated on a map of property assessed for making the Minetto Sewer as Lot N° 713. and assessed as belonging to unknown persons. Sold for Eight years.

Also a Certificate to George R Barker for all that certain piece or parcel of land situate on the Easterly side of the Second Avenue Bounded Easterly by the Second Avenue Southerly by land of Augustus Wynkoop Easterly by land of Nathaniel Underhill and Southerly by First Street which said piece of land was assessed as aforesaid as the property of Peter Crawbuck Sold for Seventeen years.

Also a Certificate to Daniel Demarest for Lot N° 24 on Map of property assessed for making Chapel Street Sewer. filed in the office of Street Commissioner. Bounded [20] Westerly in front by Chapel Street Northerly by land of D Kerrs easterly by land of Abijah [Arden] and Southerly by land of Thomas Heath assessed as belonging to G Miller sold for five years

Also a Certificate to Daniel Demarest for Lot N° 647 on a map of property assessed for making Chapel St. Sewer filed in the office of the Street Comm^{r} Bounded northerly in front by Leonard Street Easterly by property of Mrs Gaskin Southerly by *by* property of Elizabeth Trenchard and westerly by land of John C Van Allen sold for two years

Also a Certificate to W^{m} T Lawrence for Lot N° 3405 on the Map of Tenth ward filed in the office of the Street Commissioner Bounded northerly in front by North Street Easterly by Lot N° 3406 Southerly by lot 3404 and Westerly by Columbia St. assessed as belonging to R S Livingston

New York 24 June 1822 Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) Ogden, Edwards

[21] The Street Commissioner presented the following which was confirmed Viz[t] for regulating & Repairing Front Street from Fulton St. to crane Wharf St.

For regulating & Repairing Front St. from Burling Slip to Fulton Street

For regulating & Repairing Water Street from Fulton Street to Crane wharf

For repairing Fulton St. from Water Street to the East river and Morris De Camp was appointed Collector in Each and for Regulating and paving Broome St. from Sullivan to Thompson Street and John G Betts was appointed Collector.

He also presented an Ordinance for a Well and Pump between Hudson and Collister Street in Beach Street which was passed and John Salisbury Isaac Kip and Peter H Wendover were appointed Assessors.

Also an ordinance for Curbing and gravelling the side walks in Herring Street from Bleecker Street to Christopher Street which was passed and Peter H Wendover Francis Peckwell and James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

He also made a report that some person [22] (R M Livingston) had erected a fence across Vestry Street which he claimed as Private Property which was referred to the Street Committee.

He also made a report of the situation of the Sewer in Canal Street and the Arch broken as also a part of the Sewer in Chapple Street which subjects were referred to the Canal Committee,

The City Inspector *inspector* made the following report on Nuisances on lots owned by John G Costar & Isaac L Kip Viz[t]

The City Inspector respectfully reports an ordinance to correct the nuisance at the corner of Sullivan Street and Watts St referred to him at the last meeting of the Board as this nuisance is very injurious to the Neighbouring inhabitants he has purposely drawn it at a short period in order if not complied with, more fully to report at the next meeting of the Board,

He also reports two ordinances to abate a dangerous nuisanee on Broadway near [23] Spring Street the expence to correct which will exceed one hundred dollars but it is Submitted that the Street Committee may have powers to direct its execution during the recess.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) George Cumming,
City Inspector

Whereupon ordinances for the correction of the said Nuisances were passed.

He also presented ordinances for the correction of Sundry nuisances which were passed. Viz[t]

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances.

N° 1	George Streighthoof	Agent		Sullivan & Watts St	A lot
2	Peter Ogilvie	owner		Columbia St	D°
3	Ab. Furman	Lessee	30	Fletcher	D°
4	Isaac L Kip	Owner		Broadway	D°
5	John G Coster	Executor		D°	D°

(Signed) George Cumming. C. I.

The Committee on Applications on the Petition of William Brodie for appointment of City weigher reported as follows.

The Committee on Applications to whom was referred the petition of William Brodie praying [24] to be appointed a city weigher beg leave to Report.

that they have considered the Same and the very respectable recommendation accompanying the application and are of opinion that Mr Brodie ought to receive the appointment which he solicits They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that William Brodie be and he is hereby appointed a city weigher and that he be commissioned accordingly

(Signed) David Marsh
Gerard De Peyster
Nathaniel Reynolds.

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The Same Committee on the petition of Isaac Auld for appointment of City weigher reported as follows

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Auld who wishes to resign his commission as grain Measurer and obtain that of City Weigher beg leave to report. that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted and respectfully offer the [*24] following resolution

Resolved that Isaac Auld be appointed a City weigher

(Signed) David Marsh
Gerard De Peyster.

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly the resignation of said Isaac Auld of the office of Measurer of Grain was accepted

* Clerk's error in numbering.—ED.

The Committee on Assessments on the Petition of Charles Wilkes reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Chas Wilkes praying to be relieved from the tax assessed on his personal property in the First ward

Report. that from the peculiar state of the case they are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted inasmuch as he has paid his tax of one hundred and eleven dollars to the collector of the Ninth ward and the tax demanded by the collector of the 1st ward is One hundred and ten dollars so that the difference to the petitioner is very small. and as the books of the collector are about being closed a different course might put the parties to considerable inconvenience [25] Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 1st ward refrain from Collecting the Personal tax from Chas Wilkes and return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
David Marsh
Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead.

The same was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Pub. Offices to whom was referred the petition of Van Pelt & Spear to be appointed Printers to the Corporation reported as follows.

The Committee on Public offices to whom was Referred the Petition of Vanpelt and Spear Praying to be Appointed printers to the Hon. the Corporation Respectfully Recommend in consideration of the punctual attention those Gentlemen have heretofore paid to the orders of the Board and also of the satisfactory manner in which the work has been executed that their Request be granted

In pursuance of which the [26] committee offer the Following resolution

Resolved that Messrs Van Pelt and Spear be employed as Printers to this Board

Signed Jno D. Brown.
William Thorn
Jacob B Taylor
Nathaniel Reynolds
Samuel B Harper.

which was approved and they were appointed accordingly

The Same Committee to whom was referred the resolution relative to printing a Journal of the Proceedings of the Common Council reported As follows

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the Resolution offered at the last meeting by Ald. Mann & which is as follows

"Resolved that a Journal of the Proceedings of the Common Council be printed for the use of the members. and that it commence with the minutes of the Present Board. Respectfully

Report. that after having obtained the best information they could procure the Committee are of opinion that the Expense to be incurred by carrying into effect the resolution proposed would amount to per annum. (as follows.)

[27] Say Printing	1500.	Dollars
Extra Clerk Hire	500.	
Total	2000.	Dollars

Which the Committee having due regard to Economy in disbu[r]sing the Public Money deem to be a larger Expenditure than the object of the Resolution would seem to warrant and therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved That it is Inexpedient at present to cause the journal of this Board to be printed for the use of its members

(Signed) John D Brown
William Thorn
Jacob B Taylor
Nathaniel Reynolds
Samuel B Harper.

which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Laws to whom the petition of Henry Cochrane was referred reported Viz[t]

The Committee on Laws to whom the petition of Henry Cochrane was referred Respectfully Report

That the Petitioner States that he has been overcharged by the [28] assistant Justice of the 7[th] & 10[th] wards certain Costs in two suits amounting to $7.75. which monies have been paid over by the Court to this Corporation and the petitioner prays to have the same repaid to him.

Your Committee are of opinion that it would be highly improper for this Corporation to interfere in this case. The proper officer has

regularly made out and certified the amount of Costs which the Justice adjudged the petitioner should pay and this the Committee think is conclusive: before the Petitioner can have the relief prayed for the opinion of the Justice (if erroneous) must be reversed by the proper tribunal—The Committee beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed Wm Paulding Junr
Thomas Bolton.

which was approved and the resolution adopted

[29] The Committee consisting of the Alderman & Assistant of the 7th & 10th wards to whom was referred the resolution respecting Swine reported, as follows

The Alderman & Assistants of the 7th & 10th wards to whom was referred the Resolution for amending the Law respecting Swine have had the subject under consideration and find that the inhabitants in those two wards are nearly unanimous in the opinion that the law should be so amended as to admit swine running at large in those wards and as the laws are passed for the benefit of the Citizens their opinions Should be consulted they also would state that the Bell carts do not often come into those wards which makes it more necessary that the swine Should run at large to eat the garbage thrown into the Street they would also state that a considerable part of those two wards are but thinly inhabited

They would therefore recommend that the Law to prevent swine from running at large be so amended as to admit swine running at large East of Market. [30] and Forsyth Streets and recommend the following Resolutions

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board present the draft of a law agreably to the above Report.

Signed Asa Mann
William Thorn
Henry Mead
David Seaman.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons praying Beekman Street may be opened on the line directed by the Supreme Court & Also a petition of Robert R Hunter presented a Report which was read and referred back to the same Committee with the petition of Jonathan Thompson & others received this evening

The Same Committee on the Petition for paving Christie Street reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition to have Christie Street paved from Broome to Delancy St.

Report that they have viewed the [31] premises and are of opinion that the request of petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved, that Christy Street be regulated and paved from Broome to Delancy Street. and that the Street Commissioner prepare an ordinance therefor accordingly.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
William H Ireland
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition for repaving the west side of Counties Slip reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Garrit Storm and others praying that the street on the West side of Coenties Slip may be repaved from Water Street to South Street

Report that they have examined the premises and respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

[32] Resolved that the Street on the West side of Coenties Slip be repaved from Water Street to Front Street and repaired from thence to South Street and that the Street Commissioner prepare an ordinance in conformity thereto.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition for paving part of Elm Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Hannah Jenkins and others praying to have Elm Street paved from Broome to Spring Street Report their opinion in the following resolution Resolved that Elm Street be regulated and paved from Broome

St. to Spring St. and that the Street Commissioner prepare an ordinance accordingly

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann
David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff.

[33] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Certain Streets in Greenwich Village reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Sundry Inhabitants of Greenwich Village praying that the several Streets therein named may be regulated Curbed and the Side Walks gravelled

Report, that they deem it inexpedient to grant the request of the petitioners in its extent, yet your Committee are of Opinion that it would add much to the Convenience and facilitate the intercourse of the village with the City if Herring Street was curbed and the Side walks graveled to Christopher Street Your Committee therefore submit the following resolution

Resolved, [that] Herring Street be curbed and the Side walks gravelled from Bleecker Street to Christopher Street and that the Street Commissioner prepare an [34] ordinance accordingly

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The watch Committee to whom was referred the presentment of the Grand Jury on the subject of an additional Watch reported as follows.

The watch Committee to whom was referred the within Communication of the Grand Jury recommending the additional Watchman at the Bridewell Report,

That they have examined the subject and are of opinion that an additional watchman at that place can be dispensed with at the present not wishing to add any expence on the City without real necessity Requires it They therefore offer the following resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to comply with the said recommendation.

(Signed) Asa Mann
David Marsh
David Seaman
Samuel B Harper.

[35] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Petition of the City Watch 1st District reported as follows

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Captains of the first district watch Requesting an additional Assistant

Report. that they have enquired into the subject and have *have* had a conference with the Captains of the 1st & 3d District watch and are of opinion if there is an alteration of the line of Division of the two Districts so that they shall be nearer equalised it will save the expence of an additional Assistant they therefore recommend the following resolutions—Resolved that the division line between the 1st & 3d district watch commence at the intersection of Mott and Bayard Streets along Bayard St to Orange St. along Orange St to Franklin St. along Franklin St to Broadway along Broadway to Duane St and along Duane St to the North River. Resolved that Eighteen Watchman in the first watch distt under each of the said Captains be transferred to the third Watch district to fill Seven additional posts and two Setts of Roundsmen Resolved that the Counsel of the Board prepare the draft [36] of a law to carry the above resolutions into effect Resolved that the Supt of Repairs make the necessary alterations in the 3d watch dist house to accommodate the additl Watchmen added by the Preceding resolutions. (Signed) Asa Mann, David Marsh, David Seaman, Saml B Harper,

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted

The Market Committee On the petition of Peter Valentine Wm Ponsford & others Butchers in Fulton market reported as follows

The market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Peter Valentine William Ponsford Thomas G Harrison and John D Kent. Butchers. in the Fulton Market. representing that they severally have been sued for rent due on their Stalls in said markets

They complain that they were assurred no regular Butcher would be allowed to Stand in the Country market which has not been enforced —they pray that the suits against them may be discontinued and the assurance given carried into effect.

Report that it is very desirable (yet very difficult) to enforce that

part of the market law. Your Committee have (they hope) adopted such a regulation in Fulton market as to prevent further cause of Complaint it appears that the above [37] named Butchers have refused or neglected to pay their rent when it became due and your Committee cannot see how they are entitled to any relief.

They recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to discontinue the suits commenced against the above named applicants

(Signed) Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
Thomas Bolton
David Seaman

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of William Warlow reported as follows

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of William Warlow Butcher praying that the stand N° 4 Catharine market may be granted him

Report that they above stand or Stall is in the possession of M^r Lyon a licensed butcher against whom there is [38] no complaint they recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner cannot be granted.

Signed Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
Thomas Bolton
David Seaman.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants in the vicinity of Old Slip market requesting that the same may be called Franklin Market reported Viz^t

The market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry Inhabitants of Old Slip and its vicinity requesting the market now building at that place may by an Ordinance of the Common Council be named Franklin market Report

that some difference of opinion does exist as to the necessity of any alteration as it has already assumed the name of Old Slip market yet notwithstanding your Committee see no great objections in gratifying [39] the wishes of the applicants they beg leave to bring the subject before the board in the following resolution

Resolved that the market at Old Slip be called and hereafter known by the name and Stile of Franklyn market

Signed Shivers Parker
Jas Fairlie
Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams
David Seaman.

Which was approved and the Market was directed to be hereafter known and distinguished by the name of Franklin market

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Pet. of N. L. & G Griswold, requesting permission to fix a Buoy in the East River for the purpose of warping vessels out & into docks reported as follows,

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of N. L. and George Griswold asking permission to place a buoy in the East River for the purpose of [40] hauling vessels in and out of Dock

Report that they have made such enquiries as induces them to believe that there will be no impropriety in granting the request of the petitioners they therefore Submit the following resolution

Resolved that Nathaniel L & George Griswold be and they are herby permitted to place a buoy in the East river in the vicinity of Burling Slip and that such permission continue during the pleasure of this board

(Signed) William H Ireland
Elam Williams
Asa Mann
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Ald. & Assᵗ of the 5 ward and Street Comʳ on the petition for Well and pump in Beach St. reported Vizᵗ

The Ald. & Assist. of the 5ᵗʰ ward and Street Comʳ to whom was referred the petition of John E West and others for a Well in Beach Street near Collister Street. Report their opinion by the following resolution

[41] Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

(Signed) Wᵐ Paulding Junʳ
Lewis Ford
R Graves St. Comʳ

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[42] The Finance Committee on the petition of Charles Cock reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Cock

Report that the Petitioner owns two lots of land in the Bowery which were formerly the property of John Bokus and were with another lot of ground assessed in 1820 & 1821. as belonging to the latter person that these lots are now advertised to be sold for the payment of the Assessments and that the petitioner is desirous of paying his just proportion thereof. As this Committee think the request of the petitioner reasonable they recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved that Charles Cock have leave to pay $6 7$\frac{3}{100}$. as his portion of the above taxes and that the Street Commissioner is hereby authorised to receive the same

(Signed) William Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[43] The Same Committtee on the petition of William Bennet reported Vizt

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of William Bennet of Bushwic in Kings County praying for a grant of land under water in front of his property in that town

Report that by the Charter of this City and the laws of the State this Corporation has the right only of jurisdiction on the East River at Bushwic to low water mark. the land under water at this place is vested in the people of this State And hence this Board has no authority to grant the request of the petitioner

Your Committee therefore Submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
H. J. Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[44] The Same Committee to whom Was referred that part of the petition of Marinus Willet presented on the 10th instant as relates to the extension of his water rights to the East Side of Tompkins Street reported the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner is reasonable and ought to be granted which was adopted.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Sewall Cutting reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Sewall Cutting requesting permission to surrender to the Corporation of this City his lease of room N° 10 in Fulton market respectfully Submit the following resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted

(Signed) William H Paulding
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[45] The Same Committee on the petition of Henry Gilford reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Gilford Carpenter

Report that the petitioner owns property in Harman Street which has been assessed for widening that Street; that he is in consequence of blindness *been* reduced in his circumstances and is unable to support his family; that although time has been granted to him for providing the means of discharging this tax yet he could not have procured adequate funds for that purpose except at the expence of a very great sacrifice of his property He therefore prays for further time.

As the request of the Petitioner seems reasonable to your Committee they respectfully submit the following resolution.

Resolved that one year is hereby granted to Henry Gilford to pay his assessment in Harman Street provided he shall immediately discharge the [46] interest due upon the same and shall hereafter pay the interest half yearly that shall accrue upon the said Assessment

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Smith Bloomfield reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Smith Bloomfield

Report that there is due to the petitioner on his contract for building a Sewer in Chapel Street a balance of $\$786^{5}/_{100}$ and that the uncollected assessments for defraying the expence of constructing this

work amount to $1799^{10}/_{100}$. The Petitioner requests the payment of the said Sum of $786^{5}/_{100}$ and of $140 or 150 for interest which he alledges to be due to him

Your Committee have been informed that by the terms of Mr Bloomfields contract touching this [47] matter, no interest is to be allowed to him but that the consideration mentioned in that instrument is to be paid to him from time to time as the assessments for constructing the Sewer shall have been collected.

It is obvious therefore that the petitioner is not entitled by the conditions of his agreement to the interest he has claimed and as it does not appear to this Committee that there has been any unecessary delay on the part of this Board in collecting the Assessments destined to pay Mr Bloomfield they are of opinion that interest ought not to be granted to him. Your committee however recommend the payment to the Petitioner of the sum of $786^{5}/_{100}$ as a measure dictated by a just regard to *to* the spirit of *of* said agreement The following resolution is therefore respectfully Submitted.

Resolved that so much of the prayer of the petitioner as requested the payment of interest [48] ought not to be granted but the said balace of $786^{5}/_{100}$ be paid to him

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Additional Rule to the Rules & Regulations of the Common Council respecting the presentation of & Reading Papers, presented at the last meeting was called up and referred to a committee consisting of Ald Fairlie Mr Recorder Ald Mann.

The motion made by Ald Mann on the 13th of May that to the Standing Committees of the Common Council be added a Committee for the Alms House [&] Penitentiary, was called up On the question of agreeing to the appointmt of such a committee it passed in the negative the Ayes & Noes having been Called by Ald Mann were as follows. Ald Fairlie requested to be excused from voting but his request was not complied with

[49] Negative His Honor the Mayor Ald Wyckoff Williams Fairlie Paulding Taylor Mr Bolton Harper Ireland Marsh Reynolds 11.

Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald McQueen Mann De Peyster Mead Mr Ford Parker Thorn Seaman 9.

On Motion Resolved. that Henry McFarlane be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of the School fund in the place of Roger Strong resigned.

Resolved that the former resolution of this Board which directs all ordinances for the correction of Nuisances the expences of which shall amount to one hundred dollars are to be reported to this Board by the City Inspector, be referred to the Street Committee for Revisal and Correction.

[50] The Comptroller reported Balance in the Treasury 10th inst.....	$881.65
Received for tax of 1821 5, 6, 10 wards.....	3800.
" Tavern licenses	8300.
" Excise	4686.
" Arrears of tax.....	330.
" Justices Courts	297.02
" Fines from Attorney.....	27.17
	$18.321.84

25 Accounts Audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District.....	1002.75
Hibberd and Clark " 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	435.75
Hugh Maxwell. Dist. Atty. 1 Qr Salary 16 Inst.....	750.
Wm S Smith Collect. City Revenue 1. Qr & Charges.....	260.
John Cregier framing Portrait of President U. S.....	70.
John Sutphen inspr of Electn for Constable 2nd ward.....	6.
Thomas Barnum Work at mud machine 4 weeks to 16 inst.....	183.
Barker & Hopkins 13 Casks of Oil.....	1212.75
J Sloan acct regs and Curbs Bleecker St fr Wooster to Lawrens.....	130.
J Rice and A Wallace acct regs and pavs Howard.....	100.
Chas Mooney act Sewer in Cedar St.....	100.
H Smith bal regs & pavs Dominick St. fr. Varick to Clark.....	77.13
R Ayres filling foot of Vesey New Slip & Peck Slip.....	26.89
J Gallagher bal. for Well Grand n Allen.....	48.
R Pettigrew bal for well Bdway near Canal St.....	27.45
Do Do 1st payment well Hudson n Dominick.....	21.17
[51] R Graves St Commr for repairs to Road.....	500.
Jacob P Roome Sup Repairs for repairs.....	737.
J. P. Roome Do for Caulking & Repairs Fulton mt.....	642.96
J P Roome Do Fire Department.....	204.25
J P Roome Do repairs Pumps.....	166.
J P Roome Do Watch houses.....	78.
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House.....	$10.000.
	17450.85
Balance	$870.99

Board adjourned

[52] In Common Council July 8th 1822.

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor. President.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	William H Ireland
James Fairlie	Lewis Ford
James Hall	Shivers Parker
Wm Paulding Junr	Wm Thorn
Asa Mann	David Marsh
Jacob B Taylor	Nathaniel Reynolds
Gerard De Peyster	David Seaman.
Henry Mead	

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

An invitation from Mr Marsh Proprietor of the painting "of the Entrance of the Messiah into Jerusalem painted by Col Sargeant of Boston to a view of the said painting accompanied with tickets of admission to the members was read and accepted.

[53] A Memorial from the inhabitants of Stanton Street complaining of its present situation and requesting it may be regulated & paved from East side of Willet Street to West side of Ludlow Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial was received from the Lessees of the Public Wharves & Slips stating that in consequence of the Quarantine Law the Docks and Slips were constantly filled with merchandise & Goods brought from vessels at Quarantine and praying some regulation may be established as to the time of their remaining on the docks which shall not exceed 24 hours. which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition was also received from the said Lessees of Public Slips remonstrating against the proposed alteration of the law respecting the lying of Vessells in Public Slips particularly in relation to Coenties Slip which was read and referred to the Committee on Laws.

[54] A further memorial from the directors of the Richmond Turnpike Company on subject of their Steam boat wharf concern at White hall. remonstrating against the late report of the Ferry Committee on that subject and urging their claims to remuneration for the expences incurred by them in repairs which ought to have been performed by the Corporation, which being read was referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of Hugh Smith for payment of balances due him on contracts for Regulating and paving Thompson Street, Lispenard & Broome Street *which* was referred to the Finance Committee.

A petition of Francis Ogsbury lessee of Cellar N° 13. under Fulton market requesting permission to relinquish the lease of the same was referred to the Finance Committee.

A petition of N Phillips & Dwight Townsend and Walker proprietors of the Advocate and Daily Advertiser was received stating that by the late repairs of the Battery they have been compelled to remove the Shed [55] used for covering the boats employed by them to collect intelligence & Soliciting that some other place may be assigned to them for that purpose was referred to the Comm^ee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A petition of John Lynn for restoration of two Hogs belonging to him which were taken upon the Street by persons under the direction of the Corporation was referred to Police Committee with Powers.

A Petition of James Harrison requesting the Patronage of the Corporation for a Binnacle newly invented by him Also a petition of Henry Gutty Mathematical instrument maker also praying the patronage of the Corporation were severally read and referred to the committee on Arts and Sciences.

A petition of Elias R Hughes complaining that Mr Smith the Clerk of the [56] 7^th & 10^th ward Court detained from him money which he had recovered by suit in said court & which had been paid into court was read and referred to Committee on Public Offices.

A petition of M. L Smith to be relieved from a Personal tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A petition for a Well and Pump near the intersection of Spring & Mercer Street was referred to the Ald and Assistant of the ward and Street Commissioner.

A petition of John Jacob Astor to be permitted to pave on Varick Street was referred to the Street Committee

A Memorial from the Hucksters in Spring Street Market remonstrating against the fees lately required of them for their stands was referred to the Market Committee

A Petition in behalf of W^m Beer for further time to pay Assessment for the [57] Sewer in Thompson Street was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Letter addressed to the Mayor from J. C. Calhoun Secretary of War of the of June in reply to one written by the Mayor to the President of the United States was presented stating (as was mentioned in his former letter of March 14 1821 that Congress not having made the necessary appropriations the Department would not be able to unite with the Corporation in the proposed repair and

extension of the Battery He further stated that in pursuance of a Law of the U. S. of the last Session authorising the Cession of Castle Clinton and the adjacent grounds to the Corporation when they should not be wanted for Public Defence the President had directed the Commandant of the Department to report when Ca[s]tle Clinton can be evacuated pursuant to the terms of said Law. Ald. Wyckoff presented a resolution [58] authorising the Battery Committee when they should judge it necessary to proceed and make the requisite improvements on that part of the ground covered with water now belonging to the United States. Whereupon the Letter and resolution were referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition from Supply Engine N° 1 for Eight additional men to said Company was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A petition that Canal Street may be paved from Broadway to Collect St. was referred to the St Committee.

A Letter was received from the Commissioners of the School Fund stating that the State apportionment amounting to $7376.61 had been deposited in the mechanics Bank to their credit & if the Corporation would appropriate the like Sum—they would make the distribution among the different Institutions in the City which being read was referred to the Finance Committee with authority &c.

[59] The Board proceeded to the appointment of the Commissioners of the School fund for the ensuing year when the following persons were appointed. Peter H Wendover Francis Cooper Abraham Russell Jacob Drake Henry McFarlane

His Honor the Mayor laid before the board the following resolution which had been transmitted to him

"At a meeting of the Committee of the Bloomingdale Asylum (6th mo.) June 29th 1822.

Resolved that the Mayor Recorder and Members of the Common Council and Commissioners of the Alms House be at all times admitted to visit the Asylum freely and that a copy of this order be furnished to the Mayor by the Secretary

(Signed) Thomas Buckly
Secry

An Invitation was also received from the [60] Governors of the N. Y. Hospital to the Common Council to visit the Bloomingdale Asylum on Wednesday the 10th instant & that carriages would be in waiting at the Hospital in Broadway at 12 oClock Whereupon it was Resolved that the invitation be accepted

The following persons were appointed Fireman the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies.

Hook & Ladder Compy

No 2

Thomas L Count Comb maker Forsyth Street vice Chares Rollinson. Fire Warden.

Fire Engine No 9.

Abraham Warner. 41 Beaver Street Painter vice Jacob Vanderbilt Resigned.

No 10

Thomas S Barnes Carpenter Bowery n. Vauxhall vice David Delancy Resigned.

No 13.

Abraham Cargill Tin Smith, Water St. vice James Fairly Left the City

No 20

Peter L Stoutenberg Shoe maker 238. Greenwich vice Peter Malloy Resigned

[61] No 23.

John Hewitt Glass Cutter 80 Reed Street vice John H Smith Resigned

No 26.

George Mariner. Grocer, Rutgers cr Banker vice Robert Malloy Resigned

Samuel Brown Cartman 16 Pike Street vice Eliphas Tracey Resigned

The Comptroller reported that Wm H Ireland Esqr late Chairman of the Lamp Commee has paid to the Treasury on 5th instant $231 8/100. the balance due the Corporation as per account filed in his office which Report was ordered to be filed.

The Counsel agreably to order presented the draft of a law to amend the law to regulate the City Watch which was passed

He also agreably to order presented the draft of a law to amend the Law to prevent Swine from running at large which having been read was in the words following.

A Law to Amend the Law entitled "A Law to [62] Prevent Swine from running at large (passed July 8th 1822) Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in

Common Council Convened that it shall be lawful for Swine to run at large to Eastward of Market and forsyth Streets any thing Contained in the Ordinance hereby amended to the Contrary notwithstanding

The question being taken thereon it was Carried in the affirmative a Division being called by Ald Mann the Ayes & Noes were as follows.

Ayes Mr Recorder Ald. Williams. Fairlie Hall, Mann, Taylor, De Peyster, Mead. Mr Ireland Thorn Marsh Reynolds Seaman. 13.

Noes. Ald. Wyckoff Paulding Messrs Bolton Ford Parker. 5.

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance for correcting a Nuisance in a lot on East side of Rivington Street owned [by] Frederick De Peyster the expences of which would exceed One hundred dollars Whereupon the said Ordinance was passed

[63] He also presented for execution the following ordinances for correction of sundry Nuisances which were passed

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances Viz[t]

N[o]	1	W[m] Dusenbury	Lessee	223	Chrystie St	A Lot.
	2	Jno Graff	Owner.	219	D[o]	D[o]
	3	Vestry of Trin[y] Church	Owners.		Canal & Watts	D[o]
	4	D[o]	D[o]		Laight St	D[o]
	5.	James Renwick	Agent		Greenwich & Canal	D.
	6	John McComb	Owner		West Street	D[o]
	7	John Beekman	D[o]		Harman St	D[o]
	8	T Hunt	Occup[t]		Hester & Forsyth	D[o]
	9	W[m] G Minturn	Agent		South St	D[o]
	10	John R Livingston	Owner		Cannon St	D[o]
	11	Robert Lennox	D[o]		Ludlow "	D[o]
	12	S[l] Jones	D[o]		Suffolk & Delancy	D[o]
	13	D. Dunham	Lessee		Goerck St	D[o]
	14	E G Smith	Agent		Robinson	D[o]
	15	Vestry of Trinity Church	Owners		Sullivan	D[o]

(Signed) George Cumming
City Insp[r]

The following report was received from the Attorney in the case of Isaac Halsey, which was approved and the [64] penalty remitted.

The Attorney of the Board respectfully reports the case of Isaac Halsey 24 Delancy who was informed against for not erecting a good and substantial railing with gates opening inward by the time notified to him by the Street Commissioner It appears that within a few days after the Appointed time Mr Halsey did comply with the directions of the Street Commissioner The penalty in this case is $250 Mr Halsey

has also paid the costs and now desires that no further proceedings may be had against him

The Attorney of the board respectfully recommends the remission of the penalty

(Signed) M. Ulshoeffer.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Higgins & Park presented a report which was ordered to be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessm[t] for regulating & Paving Essex St. from Broome to delancy St. which was confirmed and Morris De Camp Appointed Collector.

[65] Also an Assessment for Well and Pump in Hudson St. near Dominick St. which was confirmed and John G Betts app[d] Collector

He Also presented the following Ordinances which were passed.

For Rebuilding and Repairing a part of Canal Street and Chapel St Sewers. and John Targee Peter H Wendover & John Salisbury were appointed Assessors

Also for paving Christie Street from Broome to Delancy Street & Benjamin Prince John Bedient & John Targee were appointed Assessors.

Also for Paving Elm Street from Broome to Spring St. and James Bleecker Francis Peckwell & Peter H Wendover were appointed Assessors.

Also for Well and Pump in Mercer Street near Spring St and Peter H Wendover Isaac Kip & John Brower were appointed Assessors Also for Well and pump in Walker between Broadway and Church Street and Abraham Dally John Bedient and John Salisbury were appointed Assessors.

[66] The Street Committee on the petition of Philip Brasher. reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Philip Brasher for permission to alter the direction of the line of Orange Street between Prince St. and Dyckman's line So as to run paralel with Crosby Street

Report that they have viewed the premises and have also caused public notice to be given to all persons interested therein to make their objections if any they have to such contemplated alteration but as no objections have been made by individuals and as no evil can result to the public your Committee are of opinion the request of the petitioner ought to be granted. and therefore submit the following resolution.

Resolved that application be made to the Supreme Court to alter

the direction of Orange Street from Prince Street to Dyckmans line and that the Counsel to this board be directed to take the necessary measures to have the same carried into effect.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland.
[67] David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Stewart Elder reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stewart Elder praying for leave to surrender to the Corporation of this City his lease of Cellar N° 9 under the Fulton market submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted

Signed Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Charles [68] McEvers. reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Charles McEvers praying to be relieved from the Tax assessed on his personal property in the First ward.

Report that the Assessors of the 1st ward have given him a certificate which is hereunto annexed that the Petitioner removed from the First ward before they made the Assessment your Committee are of opinion that relief ought to be granted Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the First ward refrain from Collecting said tax from Chas McEvers and return the balance in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said ward.

(Signed) William Thorn
Henry Mead
David Marsh
Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[69] The Police Committee to whom was referred the subject of licensing Intelligence offices reported an Ordinance by the Title of "A Law. Respecting Intelligence offices in the City of New York which was read by Paragraphs. and passed.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Keeper of the Penitentiary in relation to the escape of a number of the Convicts Presented a Report the consideration of which was postponed and it was directed to be printed for the use of the members.

The Canal Committee on the petition of Isabel Scott. reported as follows.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the annexed memorial of Mrs Isabel Scott

Report. that they have had the subject under consideration and are of opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner [70] in as much as due notice was given for any objections to be made to the Assessment which is complained of and that the assessment has been confirmed and the greater proportion of it collected they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) Nathaniel Reynolds
Jacob B Taylor
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the representation of the Street Commissioner relative to Canal & Chapel Street Sewers, reported as follows.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Street Commiss[r] in relation to Canal & Chapel Street Sewers Report that the condition of the said Sewers as stated by the Street Commiss[r] they believe is founded on fact and that immediate repairs thereof have become necessary they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

[71] Resolved that so much of the Canal Street Sewer and also of the Chapel St. Sewer as may be necessary be taken up and rebuilt or repaired as the case may require and that the Street Commissioner have the same carried into effect.

(Signed) Nath[l] Reynolds
Jacob B Taylor
Shivers Parker
Lewis Ford.

Which was approved and an ordinance agreably thereto was presented by the St. Commissioner and passed.

The Committee of Charity on the petition of Thomas Foreman reported viz[t]

The Committee of Charity to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Forman praying to be remunerated for loss of time and expenses in consequence of a wound received while in the actual discharge of his duty as a Watchman beg leave respectfully to report that they have had the [72] subject under consideration and from all the information they have been able to obtain are of the opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller present a warrant at the next meeting of the Board for fifteen dollars in favour of Thomas Forman

(Signed) Henry Mead
Thomas Bol[t]on
William Thorn.

which was approved and A warrant directed to be reported agreably thereto.

The Market Committee presented the following recommendation of Butchers to be licensed for the Franklin Market. which was approved and they were directed to be licensed agreably thereto. Viz[t]

The Market Committee beg leave to recommend to the board to license the following Butchers purchasers of Stalls in the Franklin market or such of them [73] as comply with the terms of Sale

Resolved that Peter Crawbuck Rufus Gilbert. Elias B Messerve, Jacob H Ridabock James Weaden Jacob Manolt. George Merkle and Charles Hopper, be licensed as Butchers in the Franklin mar[t] or such of them as comply with the terms of Sale for Stalls in said market.

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams
James Fairlie
David Seaman

Which was approved and they were directed to be licensed agreably thereto.

The Same Committee to whom was referred a Resolution respecting Centre market of 23 July 1821 Reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred a resolution of the 23[d] of July 1821 in the [74] following words

"Resolved that part of the Public square next to Centre market "be paved and a Shed built for the market women and sellers of fish."

Report,

That they have personally examined the above market and find it necessary that something should be built for the accommodation of the above mentioned persons.

the material from the Fly market now in the public yard is nearly sufficient to erect a Market of Suitable size. They would recommend one not to exceed Seventy five feet and for that purpose offer the following resolution

Resolved that a market house be built on the public Square at centre market by the Superintendant of repairs under the direction of the market Commee not to exceed seventy five feet in length as they shall determine.

(Signed) Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams
David Seaman.

[75] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Road Committee on the Petition to repair Love lane reported as follows

The Road Committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of Love lane beg leave to Report,

That having examined this road they found the same in a very bad condition and requiring repair. This piece of Road which is only about ¾ of a mile could be mended at *at* a small expence & prevent if rounded the bad practice of Racing so many years practised on that Ground in the face of Civil Authority they therefore offer the following resolutions

Resolved that the Street Commissr be directed to have Love lane repaired Subject to the direction of the road Committee

Resolved that the Street Commissr be directed to request the Commissrs of the Alms House to furnish for the above named purpose [76] Twenty Convicts from the Penitentiary under the care of the Keeper thereof

Signed Gerard DePeyster
Shivers Parker
Elam Williams
Jacob B Taylor.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Nicholas W Stuyvesant reported as follows.

The Road Committee to whom was referred the above petition Report that the same ought to be granted so far as that the Petitioner may level the ground but not take away the same for his own use Beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Resolved that W^m^ Stuyvesant be allowed to level the ground as described in the foregoing petition but not to remove the same from the Avenue.

(Signed) Gerard De Peyster
Shivers Parker
Elam Williams
Jacob B Taylor.

which report was agreed to and the resolution adopted.

[77] The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the Communication of John Eveleth. presented the following report.

The Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips to whom was referred the annexed communication from John Eveleth patentee of a Mud Machine offering his patent and services to the board. beg leave to Report—That they have had an interview with Mr Eveleth who after a desultory conversation exhibited a draft of his machine and also several letters from gentleman of Boston Salem and Georgetown all recommending this machine as well adapted to the purposes for which it was intended.

By a resolution of the board passed in February last it was ordered that a mud machine be built and that the same be done under the direction of the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips—your Committee before acting on this resolution have thought proper to procure an estimate of [78] *of* the expences of building a machine upon Mr Eveleths plan believing it greatly preferable to the one now in use it is computed from estimate (when complete for operation) to cost $3750. independant of this amount Mr Eveleth asks $4000. for his patent right for which sum he will include his services for superintending the building of a machine this would make the total to cost $7750 an expence not contemplated when the foregoing resolution passed, the Committee therefore have declined acting until the views of the board are known they however are of opinion from the experience and practical knowledge that Mr Eveleth must naturally possess that his services would be useful to the board and recommend employing him provided no more than what may be deemed a fair compensation is demanded

Your Committee in order that they may be enabled to treat with Mr Eveleth by making some specific proposition have submitted the following resolution

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be and are hereby authorised to treat with John Eveleth [79] for the exclusive right of his patent for the City of New York and also for his services to superintend the constructing of a mud machine upon such terms as they shall deem advantageous to the City

(Signed) Wm H Ireland
James Hall
Elam Williams
Asa Mann
Shivers Parker

which was approved and the resolution adopted.

Upon motion made by the Ald. & Assist. of the 5th ward at the last meeting on the petition of A McNickar & others respecting a Pump in Walker Street was reconsidered and on like motion the resolution adopted was rescinded an Ord. was then presented by the St Commissioner for building a well & pump in Walker Street agreably to the Prayer of said petition which was passed.

[80] The following resolution was presented and adopted.

Whereas the number of Dogs running at large shows a remissness on the part of the person employed to enforce the Law concerning dogs therefore "Resolved that the Police Committee be requested to see that the Law respecting dogs be rigidly enforced.

The following was presented by Mr Ireland and agreed to

Resolved that the Market Committee be directed to enquire into the necessity of erecting a Fish market in the rear of Washington market & Report their opinion thereon at the next meeting of the board.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Rule respecting the reading of memorials & other papers. to be presented to the Common Council presented the following "Rule

Every petition Remonstrance or other written application intended to be presented to the Common Council is to be delivered to the Mayor or to any other [81] member of the board on any day but not later than Four oclock of the day on which the Common Council convenes except on extraordinary occasions

And the Mayor or other member to whom it shall be given shall examine the same and endorse thereon the name of the applicant & the substance of each application and sign his name thereto which

endorsement only shall be read by the president unless a member shall require the whole to be read.

(Signed) James Fairlie
R Riker.

The Question being taken on agreeing to the same it was carried in the Affirmative Ald Mann having called a Division the Ayes & Noes were as follows.

Affirmative Mr Recorder, Ald. Wyckoff, Williams, Fairlie, Hall, Mead Paulding Taylor, Mr Bolton Ireland, Ford, Reynolds, Seaman. 13

Negative Ald. Mann, Mr Parker Thorn Marsh 4.

[82] A member stating that he had some communicat^{n} to make of a confidential nature the doors were closed

Comptroller Reported

Balance in the Treasury 24 June	$.870.99
Received for tax 1821 2. 3. 4. 8 Wards	9870.90
" Rents	3007.80
	$.13749.69

45 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	$1002.75
Hibberd & Clark 2^{d} D^{o}	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3	435.75
Richard Riker Esq^{r} Rec^{r} 1 Q^{r} Salary 1 Inst	375.
Samuel Hutchings St. Insp^{r} 1 mo	52.50
Jonathan Pinckney D^{o}	52.50
Abraham Ackerman D^{o}	52.50
Asten & Cochran Messengers	50.
W^{m} J Waldron Asst C^{y} Insp^{r}	43.75
Obadiah Ayres D^{o} "	43.75
George Mills Assist Board of Health	43.75
Benj^{n} Hicks D^{o}	43.75
Daniel H Magee Keeper of Pottersfield	37.50
Cha^{s} Gilman " Battery	33.75
Andrew McCready Park	33.75
S Gould laws of the State	182.50
E Southworth for an Hydrometer	20.
Isaac Asten Sweep^{r} Fulton Market 1 mo 1st inst	53.59
Ezra Frost Clerk D^{o} " "	41.66
Richard Smith D^{o} Washington	40.
John Bremner " Catharine	34.75
[83] Peter Ammerman Clerk Six Markets	32.50
Thomas Barnum Work at Mud Machine 12 days to 30th of June	144.24
G. Snethen, Sup^{s} light^{s} lamps 1 mo. 1st inst	709.49
Robert Provoost rep^{s} D^{o}	51.17
Geo. B Rapalye Clk Police Expenses 6 mo 1st int	42.12

Smith Bloomfield balance Chapel St Sewer	784.54
Tucker and Woodruff acct builg Sewer Thompson	400.
Thomas Lovett acct regulg Canal St	300.
Peter Parks inspg pavemts Sundry Sts to 1st Inst	54.12
J Salisbury and associates making sundry assessts 6 m	75.
John Bedient & Do Do Do	72.
James Bleecker & Do " "	69.
Isaac Kip & Do " "	60.
Francis Peckwell & Do " "	57.
Benjamin Prince & Do " "	40.50
Abijah Smith flagging around the Park	366.04
C Mooney pavg Carrcway and side walks Whitehall st at eastern Extremity of the Battery	228.53
James Mehan filling and repavg Collect & Leonard St at public Work shops	170.16
J Pinkerton flaggg Side walks at Watch & Engine houses eldridge St	44.31
Thomas Lovett acct Contract filling battery	4000.
A Smith flagging side Walks Crane Wharf and Fulton market	384.12
Hugh Smith regg Crane Wharf & pavg Carriag way do	185.12
Mechanics bank intt on 4 bonds 6 mo 1st June	1857.17
	$12.700.64
Balance	$10.49.05

[84] In Common Council July 22nd 1822.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen. Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Lewis Ford
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B. Taylor	David Marsh
Gerard De Peyster	Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead.	David Seaman

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A petition from the Butchers of Fulton market praying to be released from their contracts relating to the stalls in said market was read and referred to the market Committee.

A petition of Samuel W Kelly Lessee of Cellar No 1 under Franklin market praying certain [85] accommodations may be granted to him

or that he may be released from his contract was read and referred to the Market Committee with full power to act in the Premises.

A Petition of the Lessees of rooms under Fulton market praying relief from the rents reserved fon their leases was referred to the Finance Committee.

A petition of Thomas S Silkworth that a Hog taken from him in the 5th ward may be restored to him was referred to the Police Committee

A Similar petition from Catharine Brannan was referred to the Same Commee

A petition of Stephen Townsend for a Butchers license for Stall N° 55 Washington market was referred to the Market Committee with powers

A petition of Stephen Conover for permission to construct a vault in [86] front of N° 61 Franklin St and of Henry Warner to build one corner of Nassau & Pine Streets was referred to the Ald & Assist. of the respective wards and the Street Commissioner to grant on the usual terms.

A Pet of H Ritter & others residing in the vicinity of that part of the Sixth Avenue which is opened from Herring Street to Greenwich lane praying that, that part of the City may be lighted with lamps. was read and referred to the lamp Commee

A petition from masters of vessels & others employed in bringing lime for sale to the City down the N River complaining that the fees for measuring are disproportionate to the price of the Article & praying that the same may be reduced was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A further petition in favour of paving Stanton Street and a remonstrance against the same were severally read and referred to the Street Committee.

[86] A petition of John Ferris for further compensation for his services as sweeper of Washington Market was referred to the Market Committee.

A petition of Thomas G Harrison lessee of Stall N° 45 in Fulton market praying that upon payment of Arrears of Rent now due he may be released from his contract respecting Said Stall was referred to the Finance Committee

A petition from Joseph Chadwick & others complaining that a lot in the 10th ward is overflowed with water and [ought] to be filled so as [to] correct the Nuisance was referred to the City Inspector

A petition for a Well and Pump in Howard Street near Broadway

And a pet. for a Well and pump in Orchard Street near Broome Street were referred to Aldermen & Assistant of the respective wards and Street Commissioner to report an ordinance therefor.

[87] A Petition of Abraham Russell and others requesting permission to erect an Iron Railing in front of the Methodist Church in Duane Street was referred to the Street Committee with powers

A petition of John C Watson for some employment under the Corporation was referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition from the owners of property in Grand Street, praying that Essex market may be taken down & removed and the ground from whence it is removed paved was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of W^m^ Sanders a private in the 1^st^ Brigade of Artillery praying relief from a personal tax assessed him was referred to the Com^ee^ on Assessment.

A petition of Smith Bloomfield praying to be allowed interest on his contract for building a Sewer in Chaple Street was referred to the Committee on Finance

A petition that Mercer Street may be [88] regulated & paved from Bleecker Street to the South Side of Howard Street & that a Well may be sunk therein at the corner of Houston St. was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of W^m^ W Cowan residing at the S. W. Corner of Broome Street & Mercer Street was received Stating, that the remainder of the Block on which he resides to Green Street fronting on Broome Street is vacant, & is the resort of Hogs and other Animals & is very offensive to him & praying that the owners may be directed to enclose the Same in fence was referred to the Street Committee with powers.

A petition of John Lumberger was received stating that he had through ignorance of the law put down a cistern in Amos Street corner of Henry Street which projects into the street & praying that the same may be permitted [89] to remain was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the ward, to report.

A petition of W^m^ Ashley agent of the Farmers turnpike which extends from Hudson to Greenbush stating that the same is out of repair and requesting the aid of the Common Council towards repairing the same was referred to the Finance Comm^ee^

A petition of Robert Wilson for relief, from [a fine] incurred by selling liquor without license was referred to the Police Comm^ee^

A Petition of Richard Trussel and others that two lots. of ground

in the 10th ward which are nuisances may be filled up was referred to the City Inspectr

A Petition of John Concklin to be relieved from paying a tax for 4 or 5 dogs employed by him in a machine for raising water was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition from Joseph Robinson to be relieved from an undue assessment of [90] Personal tax was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A petition of John Lang and his associates for permission to erect a covering for the Boats employed by [them] in collecting Marine Intelligence for the Gazette were referred together with a report on the petn of N Phillips & others to the Commee on Wharves Piers & Slips with authority

A petition from the occupants of Stores in Fulton Street opposite Washington Market complaining that the Street is so much encumbered with Country People & Hucksters that it is with difficulty Carts can get to their Stores & praying relief was referred to the market Committee.

A Petition of Thomas McConkey was received Stating that he had erected a Shed over the door of his store corner of Chapple & [91] Warren Streets to protect his premises from the weather that he has received notice to remove the same & praying to be permitted to continue it as it is essential to his comfort A motion was made to refer the Same to the Ald & Assist. of the Ward. The question being taken thereon & a Division being called by Ald. Taylor the members voted as follows.

Affirmative Mr Recorder. Ald. Williams, Hall, McQueen, Taylor, Mead, Mr Brown, Ford, Marsh, Reynolds, Seaman.

Negative. Ald. Wyckoff Fairlie Paulding, Mann Depeyster, Mr Bolton Harper, Ireland Parker, Thorn.

His Honor the Mayor giving his Vote in the negative the Board were equally divided and the motion was lost.

It was then moved to refer it to the Street Committee which was carried in the affirmative All the members (A Division being called by Ald. Taylor) voting in the affirmative excepting Mr Marsh who voted in the Negative.

[92] The following were appointed Fire Wardens & Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies. Viz[t]

Fire warden 8th ward.

Jacob Aims Butcher 199 mulberry vice Martin L Wilsey res[d]

Fire Engine Company

N° 4.

Andrew Shorthill Chair maker 3 Dutch vice Janeway Van Zandt. Res[d]

N° 13

Daniel W Townsend Acct. Beekman St. vice Robert Forsyth, left city

N° 15

Theodore B Raynor Carpenter 59 Bayard vice W[m] Stackhouse, transf[d]

N° 19.

George U Lanckenaw Sugar Baker 81 Chrystie vice Abraham Martling decl[d]

Isaac A Carhartt Cartman 73 Forsyth vice G W Harper App[d] F. W.

W[m] D Odell Cartman 182 Delancy vice G. W. Dean Resig[d]

N° 27.

Benson Lumaruse Clerk, King c Greenwich St vice Abraham Sherred res[d]

[93] Matthias Barren Gold Beater N° 10 Watts Street vice Isaac Freeland resigned

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for paving Hubert. St from Hudson to Collister Street which was passed and John G Betts appointed Collector.

He also presented an Ordinance for paving Canal St from Broadway to Collect Street which was passed and Isaac Kip Peter H Wendover & John Salisbury were appointed Assessors.

Also an ordinance for paving South Street from Peck Slip to Crane Wharf which was passed and Benjamin Prince John Targee and James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

Also an Ordinance for paving the Side walks in Broome Street on Northerly side from Allen to Essex Street which was passed and Abraham Dally John Bedient and Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors.

[94] The Street Commissioner also presented an Ordinance for paving Varrick St. from Vandam to Carmine Street & Peter H Wendover John Bedient & John Salisbury were appointed Assessors.

The Comptroller presented the following Communication.

The Comptroller respectfully reports that agreably to a report of the Committee on Ferries and which was confirmed by the Board on

the 27th instant of November last respecting the purchase of ground adjoining the Public Ferry at Hurlgate and also for the extra expense of building a Stone fence forming the Boundary line between the lands of the Corporation and Isaac Chauncey Esqr a deed has been made by him to the Corporation for the Ground aforesaid and is filed in the Comptrollers office A Warrant in favour [95] of Captain Chauncey for $321.29 is reported this day in Conformity with the above report and confirmation.

(Signed) G. N. Bleecker.
Comptroller.

Which was directed to be filed.

The Counsel presented for authentication the following petitions to the Supreme Court. Vizt "For the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for opening Broome Street between Hudson and Varicks st. "For Altering and improving Orange St. between Prince and Dyckman's land & for closing a part of Orrange St. and for leave to discontinue the proceedings for opening 34th Street the question being taken on them separately they were directed to be duly authenticated.

The City Inspector reported that a nuisance existed *existed* on a lot No 186 owned by Mrs Glover but which was under lease to a person who had absconded He recommended that the Nuisance be abated and remain a lien on the lot.

[96] Which was approved and the resolution adopted,

He also presented ordinances for correction of sundry Nuisances which were passed.

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances.

No 1	Wm Palmer.	Agent	Spring St	A Lot.
2	Edd Allaire	Occupant	Elizabeth "	Do
3	Abijah Hammond	Owner	Greene St	Do
4	Wm Westerfield	Do	Canal "	"
5	S Baker	Do	Do "	Do
6	J Shepard	Do	Do "	Do
7	H Cochrane	Do	Do "	Do
8	Jno F Delaplaine	Do	Do "	Do
9	A H Lawrence	Do	Wooster St	Do
10	P. Wilson	Executor	Burton	Do
11	D R Lambert	owner	1 Fletcher	Do
12	John ONeil	Do	18 orange St	Do
13	John Gardner	Do	Mulberry	Do
14	Richd Dickenson	"	Rivington St	Do
15	S. L Mitchell	"	South St	Do
16	John Patten	"	"	"

17	George Vaughan	Occupant	West St	A Lot
18	John Moore	Owner	28 Chatham	"
19	Phletas Woodruff	"	41 Lispenard	"

(Signed) George Cumming. C. I.

[97] The Street Committee on the petition of John J Astor to pave on Varick Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of J J Astor for permission to pave on Varick from Vandam to the Center of Hammersly Street

Report their opinion by the following resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
H J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition to pave the Side walks in Broome Street reported. Viz[t] The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons praying that the side walks may be paved from Allen to Essex Street on the North Easterly side of Broome Street

Report that they see no Objections to the granting their request & therefore offer [98] the following resolution

Resolved. that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

(Signed) Jacob B. Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted & an Ordinance was reported by the Street Commissioner and passed.

The Same Committee on the petition of Dennis Harrigan and others reported as follows. Viz[t]

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within petition of Dennis Harrigan for permission to let his House remain on Lombardy Street Report. as the House is now tenanted your Committee are of the opinion that no great inconvenience would result to the public if it be permitted to remain till the ensuing Spring and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

[99] Resolved that the House on Lombardy Street at the corner

of Walnut Street be permitted to remain on the Street untill the first day of June next.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

*The Same Committee on the petition to Pave the side walks in Broome Street reported Viz[t]

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons praying that the Side walks may be paved from Allen to Essex on the North Easterly side of Broome Street Report. that they see no objections to the granting their request. & therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and an ordinance was reported by the Street Commissioner and passed

[100] The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition to pave South Street Reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition to have South Street paved from Peck Slip to Crane Wharf

Report, that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and therefore Recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners ought to be granted and that the Street Commissioner have the Same carried into effect.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the Street Commissioner reported an ordinance therefor which was passed.

The Same Committee to whom was referred for revisal and consideration [101] the resolution of this Board which directs the City Inspector to report all ordinances for correction of Nuisances the ex-

* Marginal note reads *Entered before page 97.*—Ed.

pences of which will amount to One Hundred dollars reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed resolution respecting the reports of the City Inspector in relation to the correction of Nuisances

Report. that in their opinion there does not exist any case nor is it probable that any circumstances will require the continuance of such resolution—they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved that the resolution of this Board directing the City Inspector to report to the Board all Ordinances for correction of Nuisances the expenses of which will amount to One hundred dollars. be and the Same is hereby rescinded.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Wm H Ireland

The Question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative.

[102] Alderman Mann then proposed the following Resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved that in all ordinances for the correction of Nuisances where the expence of correcting such nuisance shall amount to the sum of $50. upon a lot of 25 feet by 100 feet that the City Inspector be directed to report such Ordinance to the Board for their Approbation.

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Canal Street. reported Vizt

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons requesting that Canal Street may be paved from Collect Street to Broadway

Report. that in their opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Canal Street be paved from Collect. St. to [103] Broadway and that an ordinance be passed to carry the Same into effect.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the St. Commr reported an Ordinance therefor which was passed.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Abraham Stagg reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Communication from Abraham Stagg proposing to dig out and regulate Henry Street between Governeurs Street and Grand St. free of Expence to the Owners of property thereon in two years from the 24th of June last.

Report. that in their opinion there will be no impropriety in contracting with the said Abraham Stagg on the terms offered provided he enters into an agreement with this Board with Sufficient Sureties for the due performance thereof, and accordingly recommend the following resolution

[104] Resolved that Abraham Stagg be permitted to dig out and regulate Henry Street from Gouverneur's to Grand Street provided he give sufficient Sureties that the Same be compleated within the space of two years from the 24th day of June last past.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Christopher Rush reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Christopher Rush praying to be relieved from tax he being a minister of the Gospel

Report—that they have had his case under consideration and that he has obtained a certificate from the Assessors of the Sixth Ward. [105] which is hereunto annexed stating that they are satisfied of his being a minister of the Gospel and your Committee are of opinion under all the circumstances of the case that relief ought to be granted, beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved the Collector refrain from Collecting the tax on the property of Christopher Rush situate in Howard St. in the Sixth ward and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said ward.

(Signed) Wm Thorn
David Marsh
Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Henry Fisher—reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Henry Fisher praying to be relieved from Personal tax for the year 1821.

Report that the petitioner [106] has been notified three times to appear before your committee which he has failed to do and as there is nothing before your Committee to satisfy them that relief ought to be granted Respectfully offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed William Thorn
David Seaman
Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of A. L. Smith reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Abr^{m} L Smith praying to be relieved from Personal tax.

Report. that they have examined the merits of his case and are of opinion that relief ought to be granted inasmuch as the petitioner is now confined on the limits in [107] this City and in needy circumstances beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector refrain from Collecting the personal tax of Abraham L Smith and return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies [of] the second ward

Signed William Thorn
David Marsh
Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead
Henry J Wyckoff.

which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Webb reported Viz^{t},

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Lewis & Joseph Webb.

Report. that in consequence of the manner in which the Minetto Sewer was originally constructed the petitioners appear to have Suffered some interruption of the use of a moiety of certain property

which had been granted to them by this Corporation and hence they ask for an abatement during the continuance of such injury of the rent reserved on said Grant: The obstruction [108] complained of by the grantees began in June 1820 and was removed by the order of this Board in April 1822 a period of about one year and ten months

The annual rent reserved on the said water grant to the petitioners is $43 $^{4}\%_{00}$. and the half of this yearly rent for the said term of twenty two months, amounts to $39 $^{78}\%_{00}$ and seems to be all the petitioners are reasonably entitled to receive, Your Committee therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that Thirty nine dollars & 78/100 be paid to Lewis & Joseph Webb as a full indemnity for the injury they have above complained of

(Signed) James Hall
Henry J Wyckoff
John. D. Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Report of the Street Commissioner upon the account of Higgins & Park [109] reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed report of the Street Commissioner on the Petition of Higgins and Parks respectfully submit the following resolution

Resolved that the sum of Seven hundred dollars be paid to the said Higgins & Parks on account of their contract for regulating Lombardy Street from Clinton to Walnut Street

Signed Wm Paulding Junr
James Hall
Henry J Wyckoff
John D Brown
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Francis Ogsbury reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Francis Ogsbury praying for leave to surrender his lease of Cellar No 13. in Fulton Market. Report that the prayer of the petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown James Hall
Wm H Ireland Henry J Wyckoff

[110] Which was approved and the resolution adopted,

The Battery Committee to*n* whom was referred the letters of the Secretary of War & a resolution respecting the Battery reported as follows.

The Battery Committee to whom was referred a letter from J. C. Calhoun Esq^{r} Secretary at War and also a resolution offered by the Chairman of the Battery Comm^{ee} relative to the improvement making at that place beg leave respectfully to Report.

That they have had the subject under consideration and after mature deliberation are of opinion that notwithstanding the cession has not been made by the United States it will be necessary to commence without delay the improvement of that part of the ground under water belonging to them particularly that of causing a reef to be made in order to give time for its settlement previous to the erection of a wall thereon the expence of running the reef as now proposed will [111] not greatly exceed that of extending the present one directly to the shore and will make a much better finish If this work is commenced immediately it will enable your Committee to have all that part of the Battery north of the United States line completed this fall they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Battery committee be directed when in their opinion the improvements at that place may require it to cause a reef to be made the wall to be erected and the filling in compleated on that part of the ground covered with water belonging to the United States

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann
John D Brown
W^{m} H Ireland
Lewis Ford.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Resolution directing them to enquire into the necessity of building a Fish market in the rear of Washington Market reported as Follows

The Market Committee to whom was [112] referred a resolution directing them to enquire into the necessity of building a Fish Market in the rear of the Washington Market.

Report, that they have had the subject under consideration and have also examined the situation referred to in their opinion it is inexpedient to build a market at that place they have also examined that part of the Washington market. called the country market and from the decayed state of it they would submit to the Board the pro-

priety of rebuilding and enlarging it so as it would accomodate the Country people and fishermen resorting to that place they beg leave to offer the following resolutions

Resolved that it is inexpedient to build a fish market in the rear of the Washington market.

Resolved that that part of the Washington market called the country market be rebuilt and enlarged under the direction of the market committee

[113] Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) Shivers Parker.
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
Thomas Bolton.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the petition of the Lessees of Public Docks & Slips complaining of the Docks beings incumbered with goods &c reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred a communication *o*from Thomas R Smith and John K Townsend lessees of the Public Slips complaining of the public docks being encumbered with goods and merchandize and soliciting power to remove the same after twenty four*s* [hours] notice.

Report the 26th Section of the law regulating Streets &c they find this power granted to the Mayor Recorder Street Commissioner or any one of the Alderman of the City hence your committee are of opinion that it is neither proper nor necessary to delegate it to the Lessees of the Public Slips inasmuch as all the petitioners ask for may be obtained by application to either [114] the Mayor Recorder Street Comm^{r} or any of the Aldermen of the City Your Committee offers the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) W^{m} H. Ireland
James Hall.
Elam Williams
Shivers Parker
Asa Mann.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of N. Phelps, & Dwight Townsend & Walker in relation to a Boat house presented a Report which was referred together with the petition of John Lang & his

Associates presented this Evening, with full power to act in the premises as they judge proper.

The Committee on the Fire Department on the petition of Elias Dixon reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire departm[t] [115] to whom was referred the petition of Elias Dixon a fireman attached to Engine N[o] 31 to be discharged from the Fire Department Respectfully Report,

That the certificates of Rineir Wortendyke clerk and David Sutton member of Engine Co N° 31 *and* [are] in their opinion satisfactory proof of the said Elias Dixon having served in said Engine N° 31. since Nov[r] 11[th] 1807. until the present time Your Committee therefore recommend the following Resolution

Resolved that the prayer of Elias Dixon for a regular Discharge from the Fire Department be granted and that the Clerk of the Common Council furnish him with the necessary certificates

Signed David Seaman
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Henry Rankin reported as follows,

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Henry Rankin for a certificate of discharge from the Fire Department,

[116] Report that from the certificates of Benjamin Strong former Treasurer and William Colgate at Present treasurer of the Fire Department and of Thomas Hopper Sec[y] of Engine N° 20.

Your Committee are fully satisfied that the said H. Rankin was a fireman of the City of New York attached to engine N° 20 and that he has served regularly in said comp[y] since that time. they therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council furnish the said Henry Rankin with a certificate of discharge agreably to the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) David Seaman
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Report of the Chief Engineer respecting members improperly elected, in Fire Engine No 13. reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire Departm[t] to whom was referred the

request [117] of the Chief Engineer to Strike from the list of Engine Co N° 13 the names of Rowland H Timpson Thomas H Faile, Gideon Angelis, Frederick McKenzie and Alfred Willis who were unlawfully admitted being under the age prescribed by law.

Respectfully Report.

That they know of no plainer case than that it is unlawful to retain persons as members of a fire Compy who have been admitted contrary to law. as it appears from the testimony of the Chief Engineer & from the report of Fire Department Committee on the 13th day of May last that the above named persons were when admitted supposed to be of the age of Twenty one which is the age prescribed by law.

Whereas it has since been discovered that they were not over the age of Nineteen

Your Committee therefore recommend the following resolution.

Resolved that the names of Rowland H Timpson, Thomas H Faile Gideon Angelis Frederick McKenzie and Alfred Willis be struck from the list of Fire engine Compy N° 13.

(Signed) David Seaman
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[118] The Same Committee to whom had been referred the petition of Wm Schureman, reported as follows

The Committee on the Fire Departmt to whom was referred the memorial of William Schureman to be remunerated in the sum of Ninety Dollars and Thirty two cents the amount of costs accruing from a prosecution instituted against him for sending an unruly and disorderly person to the Watch house although he was compelled to do so in the execution of his office as Fire Warden while at the Fire Which Consumed the African Church on the 20th of December last.

Respectfully Report.

that they have made enquiries relative to the facts and circumstances set forth in said memorial and find them in substance correct

That while said memorialist was executing the duties of Fire Warden and after using every other means was compelled by the disorderly conduct of Heman Martin to call [119] upon a Watchman to take him to the Watch House The said memorialist was afterwards prosecuted for false impr[is]onment and a Judgment obtained against him for ninety five dollars & thirty two cents. Which your Committee deem oppressive and unjust and that said memorialist is entitled to the protection of your Honorable Body while executing his

office and ought to be remunerated to the amount of said Judgement. Your Committee therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to pay to the Said William Schureman the sum of Ninety Five dollars & Thirty Two cents.

(Signed) David Seaman
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

On Motion of Ald Williams. Resolved that the Piers at Brooklyn belonging to the N. Y. & Brooklyn ferry be repaired under the direction of the Ferry Committee.

On Motion of Ald. Parker Resolved that all such Butchers in the Several markets (except the Fulton market and Franklin market) as [120] shall be recommended by the Market Committee be forthwith licensed for the Stalls they now occupy.

A resolution that the Mechanics Gazette be one of the Newspapers employed by the Board was presented by Alderman Fairlie and referred to the Committee on Public offices.

A Resolution proposed by Mr Reynolds that a committee be appointed to examine as to the mode in which the Pounds in this city are conducted was referred to the Ald. & Assistt of the 9th Ward.

On motion of Ald Meade Resolved that it be referred to the Commee on Repairs to enquire into the expediency of fixing inside Blinds to the Common Council Chamber

A member stating that he had confidential matters to communicate the Lobby was cleared and the

Doors closed

[121] The communication from the keeper of the Penitentiary which was laid for consideration at the last meeting was called up and after some discussion the further consideration was postponed

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips who were authorised to treat with John Eveleth for his Patent right to a Mud Machine reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips who by a resolution of the Board at their last meeting were authorised to treat with John Eveleth for his patent right for a Mud Machine and his services to superintend the building of one upon such terms as they might judge advantageous

Report, that they have entered into an agreement with Mr Eveleth

which agreement has been drawn up by Mr Edwards and is herewith submitted to the board for confirmation.

(Signed) Wm H. Ireland
James Hall.
Elam Williams
Shivers Parker.

Which was approved and the agreement was directed to be duly executed.*

[122] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 8th inst	$.1049.05
Received for tax of 1821 2, 5, 8, 9 wards	9670.
" Rents	4711.88
" Streets	4696.33
" Vendue Sales	2500.
" Excise	514.
" Justices Courts	353.08
" Fines fr. Sheriff	183.
" Mayoralty fees	180.50
" Fines of Attv	10.34
	24170.04

35 Accounts audited.

Leek & Walton Watch 1st Distt	1002.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d	435.75
Thomas Forman Watchman injured on duty	15.
R Graves St. Comr 1 Qr Salary 15 inst	375.
George B Smith Assist. St. Commr 1 Qr Salary 15 Instant	250.
Wm S Smith Collector City Revenue to Pay 7 accts Expenses 4th Inst.	1025.31
Wm Slosson Counsel fees & opinion	225.
James Bleecker Auctioneer fees, Stands & Cellars Franklin market and ground	17.
Jas W Lent Registering deed from J Chauncey	3.50
George L Birch Printing fr. 1st May to 1st Aut	154.50
[123] Stephen Gould Laws of the State 45th sess	54.42
Thomas Barnum work at mud machine 14 inst	86.50
M. M. Noah Sheriff for deputies conveying Prisoners to Penitentiary 1th to 17th inst	27.
Isaac Chauncey in full for ground and Stone fence at Hurlgate ferry	321.29
Thomas Bunker 22 casks of Oil	682.31
A H Mooney acct regs & reps Fulton St from Water St to East river	1050.
Thomas Lovett acct building sewer in Grand St	500.
M Tally acct. regs Wooster fr Canal ½ way to Grand	140.

*A memorandum in pencil reads: *said agreement filed in the St Comr office.*—Ed.

H Smith regr & repr Front St fr Burlg Slip to Fulton st	120.
R Pettigrew 1st payt on Well Sheriff n Grand	58.98
G Charlton Do " Prince near Mercer	38.25
J Gallagher Do Do Bedford near Arden St	24.90
P Woodruff balance Carpenters work Franklin Mart	563.
Tucker & Woodruff Masons work Do	440.23
G Woodruff ½ amt contt building bulkhead White Hall adjoining Pier No 1 and also in Middle Pier	546.
Thomas Lovett buildg bulkhead Marketfield St adjg Battery	384.
G Lovett. buildg bridge at Fulton St. n. river	470.
R Graves St Comr repairs of Roads	500.
Jacob P Roome Supt repairs for Repairs	800.
J P Roome Do for Pump Department	110.
Wm Paulding Junr Treasurer of Board of Health	500.
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House	5000.
Jacob Drake for Commrs Com. School fund for 1822	7876.61
	$24.040.05
Balance	$129.99

Board adjourned

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[125] In Common Council. August 5th 1822.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton.
Elam Williams	Samuel B. Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
Wm Paulding Junr	John D Brown
Robert McQueen.	Lewis Ford
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Jacob B Taylor	William Thorn
Gerard DePeyster.	David Marsh
	Nathaniel Reynolds
	David Seaman

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board a report made to him agreably to his directions by the keeper of the Penitentiary of the escape of Wm Collins one of the Convicts.

He also stated that himself and several other members of the Board had examined the Stepping mill now [126] erecting at Belleveue for the purpose of employing Convicts in grinding grain &c one

wheel of which was compleated and it appeared to answer the expectation formed of it.

A petition of Richard Berrian stating that he had invented a new and simple way of communicating intelligence from place to place & wished to have the use of the Signal poles at Staten Island to try the experiment for which he was willing to make a suitable compensation which being read was referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences

A Petition of Wm Carter for a license as a Cartman he being a Alien was read and leave given Petitioner to withdraw his petition.

The Mayor stating that some of his family were indisposed he withdrew and the Recorder presided the remainder of the evening in his stead

A Petition of George Mead who is [127] imprisoned at the suit of the Corporation for a fine incurred by acting as a Porter without a license & praying relief as he was ignorant of the law on the subject was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Adam Pentz requesting further time for paying an Assessment for making a Drain in Batavia Street & for which his property is now advertized by the Street Commissioner for sale; was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition from Fire Engine Company No 6 for permission to sell their Engine as it is too small and not perfect was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Thomas Moore to be licensed as a Butcher for stall No 35 Catharine market he having hired said stand & paid the rent therefor was read & the prayer of the petitioner granted.

A Remonstrance of Cornelius Harsin & others against granting the prayer of petition for regulating and paving Charlton Street from Greenwich Street [128] to the North River was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Oliver Bedell & David Goatry was received stating that they are the Inventors of a Vehicle for transporting fish alive, that they have been in the practice for some time of selling them to the Citizens but have been lately fined for selling them near Centre Market it being as is alledged Contrary to Law and praying relief from said fine & permission to sell fish in future, Which Petition was accompanied by a recommendation of a number of Citizens Whereupon the same was referred to the Police Commee

A Petition of John J Cavello Master of Sloop Harriet, for relief from fine incurred by not paying Wharfage to the lessees of the

Public Wharves and Slip accompanied by a recommendation from the Lessees of Public Wharves was referred to the Police Commee

A Complaint from a number of [129] Inhabitants *of Inhabitants* in the vicinity of a Whitelead manufactory carried on by John C Ball near the foot of Harrison Street was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition for a Well a[nd] Pump at the intersection of Banker and Gouverneur St. and a petition for one corner Canal & Sullivan St. was referred to the Ald & Assistant of the respective ward to report an Ordinance therefor.

A petition of Isaac Valentine Lessee of Hay Scales at Gouverneurs slip praying further time for payment of the Rent due by him was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Recommendation in behalf of Henry N Ogden for his appointment as Deputy Street Inspector for Washington Greenwich, Dey, Courtlandt, & Cedar Streets was referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition that Green Street may be paved between Broome & Spring Streets was referred to the Street Committee.

A petition of Daniel Fash to be appointed a measurer [130] of Lime was referred to the commee on Applications

A Petition of Sundry Owners of Ground on Amity St and its vicinity was received stating that in 1808 the Common Council were about passing an Ord. for continuing Amity Street through the grounds of Mr Ireland but the ord. was delayed at the solicitation of Mr Ireland, who agreed that at the expiration of 12 years he would continue the Street through his ground without any expence as that period has elapsed they request measures may be taken for opening & continuing said Street through the Ground of Mr Ireland which being read was referred to the Street Committee.

Two petitions from a number of owners of Land in Prince Street from lawrence Street to Broadway were received stating that they had understood there is a petition for regulating & paving Charlton Street & for altering the name of Prince St

To the regulating said street they have no objection but object to the paving the same and to the alteration of the [131] name of Prince Street which being read was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Wm Patton to be permitted to place a Chain across Broome Street to prevent disturbance from the passing of Carriages during divine Services was read and their being already an ordinance of the board on that subject the petition was laid on the table.

A Petition of Charles Brown to be appointed a Measurer of Lumber was referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition of Isaac Valentine for the privilege of constructing 4 vaults in front his houses in Grand Street was referred to the Street Commissioner to grant on the usual terms.

A petition of John Skatt to be appointed a Deputy St Inspector and a similar petition from David Covert and Grove Cunningham were referred to the Commᵉᵉ on Applications

A Petition for paving Thompson Street from Grand St [132] to Broome St *which* was read and laid for consideration it was afterwards called up & an ordinance passed agreably to the prayer of the Petition

A Petition for paving Canal Street from Church to Sullivan was referred to the Street Committee.

A petition of Francis P Vidall to be appointed to the office of City Surveyor was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Adad Bulkly to be appointed a Measurer of Grain in place of Isaac Auld resᵈ was refᵈ to the Committee on Applications.

An Account of the Commissioners of Estimate and Expence in relation to opening that part of 34ᵗʰ street which lies between the 2ⁿᵈ [& 3ʳᵈ] Avenue the proceedings on which have been discontinued by order of the Board the amount $38. was referred to the Finance Commᵉᵉ

A petition from the Inhabitants of [133] Rector Street and the vicinity was read stating that in consequence of the late alarm of fever in that vicinity many of the Inhabitants had left their houses and some uneasiness was felt in relation to the Safety of their Dwellings & they *they* therefore requested some measures may be taken respecting the Watch for that place & neighbourhood which being read was referred to the Watch Commᵉᵉ with Powers.

A Petition of John Eveleth that an advance may be made to him of about one third of the sum contracted to be paid to him was read. It was moved to refer the same to the Finance Commᵉᵉ upon taking the question thereon the Board were equall divided when the Recorder gave his vote in the Negative and the motion was lost It was then moved to refer the Petition to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on taking the question the Board were again equally divided and the Recorder gave his vote in the Affirmative so it was referred to the Commᵉᵉ on Wharves Piers & Slips

A petition of the Fishermen and Boatmen who frequent Fulton market praying that a [134] Block may be sunk in the Slip of said

Market for the better securing the boats in said Slip was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Sarah McCurdy that Her Husband James McCurdy now imprisonned for breach of the Law respecting Bathing may be released was read and the prayer of the Petitioner granted.

The Following Persons were appointed Fire Wardens & Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Wardens of 1st ward.

David Johnson Grocer. 21 Bridge St. vice Henry Rankin time expd

Fire Engine Company

No 12

Jacob Nosser Leather dresser 4 Ferry St. vice Henry Furnier Decd

No 31.

James Remsen Carpenter 25 North moore St
vice Robert Wilson Deceased

Wm Murray Blacksmith 143 Chapple vice James Johnson Resigned.

[135] The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors Appointed Vizt

An Assessment for a Sewer in Fly Market St which was confirmed and Noah Jarvis appd Collector

Also for paving Clark St from Broome to Spring & John G Betts appd Collector

Also for regulating and paving Fly market St. and Noah Jarvis appointed Collector.

Also for a Well and Pump in Bedford near Arden Street & John G Betts was appointed Collector.

Also for Curbing & Flagging the N. Side of Bond Street & S Side of Great Jones Street & Morris De Camp was appd Collector.

He also presented a return of Delinquents on the following Assessments. & warrants were directed to issue for Collecting the same

For Regulating & Paving Bleecker Street from Wooster St. to Laurence.

Do Wooster St. from Canal to Grand. St.

Do Broome St from Mercer to Thompson St.

Do For Paving Thompson St from Spring to Broome

Do Do Lombardy St from Clinton to Walnut St.

He also reported an ordinance for a well and Pump in Mercer Street near Houston St which was passed and Peter H Wendover. John Brow[er] and Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors.

[135A] Also an Ordinance for paving Stanton St from Ludlow to Ridge Street in pursuance of a report of the Street Committee which was passed and Benjamin Prince John Targee & Abr. Dally were appointed Assessors

Also agreably to a petition for that purpose "an Ordinance for paving Thompson Street from Grand to Broome St and John Salisbury James Bleecker & Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors

Also agreably to a report of the Ald & Assistant of the 6th ward "An Ordinance for a Well and Pump in Howard St. nr the Easterly side of Broadway & James Bleecker Peter H Wendover & Benjamin Prince were appointed Assessors

Also in pursuance of a report of the Street Committee an Ordinance for regulating & paving Mercer Street from Howard to Prince St and John Bedient John Salisbury and James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

[136] The City Inspector presented the following report in relation to a Nuisance on the Easterly side of Mercer Street between Bleecker & Amity Streets and also in relation to a Cispool on Greenwich & Rector Streets and the Ordinances proposed by him were passed.

The City Inspector respectfully reports a nuisance on the Easterly side of Mercer St. between Bleecker & Amity Streets the lots on which the Nuisance lies has been sold for taxes but as the necessary two years have not expired since the Sale the purchaser cannot fill it in without risk of loss in the event of the lot being reclaimed two ordinances to correct this Nuisance are presented one for the purchaser and the other to be posted on the premises with a view to have it corrected at the public charge should it not be complied with.

He also presents three ordinances to correct the yard and Cispool on Greenwich and Rector Streets conformable to the directions of the Board of Health.

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspector

He also on the Petition of Joseph Chadwick & others in relation to a nuisance in Allen St and in relation to sunken grounds between [137] Rivington and Stanton Streets and also in relation to a Nuisance on Harrison & Washington Streets known as Rhinelanders distillery presented the following report which was approved & the Ordinance proposed was passed.

The City Inspector on the petition of Joseph Chadwick & others

complaining of a nuisance in Allen Street which was referred to him at the last meeting of the Board

Respectfully Reports That he examined said nuisance and found it in a state requiring correction As Wm A Hardenbrook the Owner of the lot has been ordinanced to correct this Nuisance a considerable time ago and as he has not complied with the ordinance there appears to be no means of coercing him but by filling in the Lot so as to abate the Nuisance and hold a Lien on the same for the expence thereof.

He also reports on a Complaint made respecting sunken ground between Rivington and Stanton Street this property was ordinanced in October last the Street [138] Committee directed it to be corrected by the 1st of May last previous to which time Mr Livingston the owner petitioned the Board to stay proceedings and permit him to pave Rivington St. and lay the Curb Stone thereon with a view of preventing the water of the Street from falling on his Lots during rain: his petition was referred to the Street Committee where it now remains however should his plan not succeeded (and it has in part succeeded) Ordinances to correct those nuisances will be presented at the next meeting of the Board for that purpose.

Two Ordinances are presented the one to correct a Nuisance on Harrison & Washington Streets the other on Broad & Bridge Streets under the direction of the Board of Health

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspr

He also presented Ordinances for correction of Sundry Nuisances Vizt

No 1	EW[Bw]McGarraghan	Owner		Mercer St	A Lot.
2	A H Lawrence	Do	98	Greenwich St	Do
3	" Do	Do	96	Do	Do
4	" Do	Do	94	Do	Do
5	J Beekman	Do		Wooster "	Do
6	Do	Do		Wooster & Broome	Do
7	Geo. Lorillard	Do		Greene St	Do
8	[139] Abijah Hammond	Do		Do	Do
9	Do Do	Do		Grand.	Do
10	Jno Graff Do	Do		Do	Do
11	Isaac Lawrence	do		Grand & Mercer	do
12	Jno F Delaplaine	Do		Sheriff	Do
13	P G Stuyvesant	Do		Chrystie	Do
14	James Roosevelt	Do		Do & Delancy	Do
15	Bn U Coles	Do		Broad & Bridge	"
16	E G Smith	Agent		Harrison & Washn	"

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspr

Which were passed.

The Attorney presented a communication on the subject of Jacob Whitsen for being on the Stand without a Hack license as follows.

The Attorney of the Board respectfully Reports the Case of Jacob Whitson owner of Hackney coach N° 42. who was informed against for being on the Stand on the 26th instant. July 1822 without having a license for the Carriage.

On the 27th it appears that he did obtain his license which was on the same day that the Complaint was entered against him. besides which [140] Mr Whitsen declares that he had been some days before to the Mayor to obtain his license but that His Honour the Mayor requested him to call when his Driver should return to the City (He then being absent) and he would then grant the licenses for the Hack and the Driver This appears to have been done on the 27th Under these circumstances the Atty respectfully recommends the remission of the Penalty. The Penalty is One Hundred Dollars.

(Signed) M: Ulshoeffer
Corp Atty

Whereupon the fine was directed to be remitted.

The Comptroller reported that there had been paid into the Treasury for commutation of Alien Passengers for the Quarter ending 31st of July the Sum of $555 which was directed to be filed.

He also reported that a piece of Ground 5 feet in length and 52 in Breadth at the Corner of Grand & Elm St had been sold to William Jones but he had not paid for the same and he recommended that the same be sold at Auction which was referred to the Finance Committee with Powers.

[141] A Deed of Cession from Nicolas Lowe dated 3d August 1822 to the Mayor &c of the City of New York for a piece of Ground on the 8th Ward for the purpose of widening Bleecker Street from Sullivan to Hancock Street presented by the Street Comr and the cession Was directed to be accepted.

The Ald. & Assistant of the 10 ward to whom was referred the petition for a Well and Pump corner of Broome & Orchard Street Reported as follows

The Aldermen & Assistant of the 10th ward to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons praying for a Well & Pump near the corner of Broome & Orchard Streets Beg leave respectfully to Report

That having examined the same with due attention are of the opinion that a Well and Pump in that neighbourhood is much wanted.

They would therefore submit the following resolution
Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

(Signed) Henry Mead
David Seaman.

[142] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition in relation to a Cistern in front of the Central Presbyterian Church reported as follows

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Sundry Inhabitants in the vicinity of the Central Presbyterian Church lately built in Broome Street near the corner of Elm Street For a cistern to be built in front of said church for the purpose of Collecting rain water to be used in time of fires

Respectfully Report:

That your Committee are decidedly of opinion that in case of fire in the Neighbourhood of said Church The Pumps Could not be depended upon for a full Supply of Water & that it would be greatly beneficial to have access to an additional reservoir Your Committee therefore recommend the Adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the petition of Sundry inhabitants in the vicinity of the Presbyterian Church in Broome St for a cistern of a larger Capacity to be built in front of [143] said Church be granted and that the Street Commr be requested to draft an ordinance in Conformity thereto

(Signed) David Seaman
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the resolution respecting employing the Mechanics Gazettee reported as follows.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred the following resolution.

"Resolved that the Mechanics Gazette be and is hereby ordered to be one of the News Papers employed by this Board.

Respectfully Report That there are at Present Five Daily Papers Employed in Publishing the laws & Resolutions of this Board which in their opinion gives all the publicity required and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient at Present to Publish the Proceedings [144] of this Board in the Mechanics Gazette

(Signed) John D Brown
Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Elias R Hughes reported as follows.

The Committee On Public Offices to whom was referred the petition of Elias R Hughes Complaining that the Amount of a Judgement obtained by him at the Court of the 7th & 10th Wards had been detained by Mr Smith Clerk of Said Court.

Respectfully Report.

That after a full and deliberate Investigation They are unanimously of opinion that the conduct of Wm H Smith as Clerk of said Court has been strictly Correct and that the Complainant Hughes has either Grossly misconceived or Wilfully mistated some of the most important Particulars of the Transaction alluded to

Your Committee Therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Elias R Hughes have leave to withdraw his Petition

The Committee also report That In the Course of the [145] Investigation of the Complaint of E R Hughes they have discovered that some considerable Sums are due to the Treasury for the costs that are remaining at Present uncollected. at the several Ward costs The amounts severally due from Persons having the ability to Pay (although not Sufficient to cover the costs of the Attorney of the Board should he enter a suit in Each Case) are equal in the aggregate to perhaps Eight hundred to One thousand dollars. The collection of which the Committee propose should be confided to the Clerks of the Several Courts authorising them to appear In behalf of the Common Council and therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved That the Clerks of the several Ward Courts be instructed to Proceed forthwith to collect all sums due for Costs to the Courts to which they are Respectively attached and if necessary to commence Suits for the same. In behalf of this Board. Provided said Clerks have Reason to suppose that the Persons owing have the Ability to pay.

[146] Signed John. D. Brown
William Thorn
Jacob B Taylor.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the Remonstrance of the Directors of Richmond Turnpike Company reported as follows.

The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the remonstrance of the Directors of Richmond turnpike Company against the Report of your Committee made on the 10th of June last again

Report that they have carefully reviewed the Subject and are compelled to adhere to their former report which they believe to be founded on principles of Justice and reciprocity

Your Committee however would recomend the payment of Twenty dollars & Fifty seven Cents which sum has been expended by the Company in repairing the Bridge on Pier N° 1. since the report of the 10th of June

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions

Resolved that the Report of the Ferry commee made on the 10th day of June last be again confirmed

Resolved that the sum of Twenty dollars [147] and fifty seven Cents be allowed the Richmond Turnpike Company in a Settlement with them for monies expended by said Company in repairs to the Bridge N° 1. since the report of the 10th of June last

Signed Elam Williams.
Lewis Ford
Asa Mann.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Canal Committee on the petition of Elizabeth Newson reported Vizt

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the within petition of Elizabeth Newson for relief from an Assessment on her property for building a Sewer in Thames St

Report in their opinion no relief can be afforded the petitioner inasmuch as sufficient opportunity was given her to make objections if any she had (the Assessment have been duly Advertised and was confirmed in May last. and a considerable proportion of the monies collected.

[148] *Yould* [Your] Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

Signed Nathaniel Reynolds
Jacob B Taylor
Robert McQueen
Lewis Ford.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of James Voty & others reported Viz[t]

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of James Votey and others owners and occupants of lots of Ground in Bleecker Street between Thompson and Sullivan Streets and in the Vicinity thereof Report. that the block of ground belonging to Col. Varick on the Southwesterly side of Bleecker Street between Thompson and Sullivan Streets encroaches upon the line of that part of Bleecker which lies south easterly of Thompson from Twenty feet six inches to twelve feet eight inches That in the year 1818 the Common Council ordered Bleecker Street to be regulated and the Street Commissioner proceeded [149] to carry their order into effect. but was stopped by an injunction of the Chancellors which was granted upon the application of Col. Varick The Chancellor subsequently upon the application of the Corporation dissolves the injunction so far as it went to restrain them from digging up to the line of said encroachment but he refused to dissolve it as far as it went to restrain them from regulating the Street up to the South westerly line of Bleecker Street upon the ground that Colonel Varick had made it appear that he & those under whom he held had been in possession of the premises claimed by him more than twenty five years. and that the Corporation ought first to take legal measures to establish their right to the premises The Committee further report that they have not been able to ascertain that the premises in question have ever been ceded to the Corporation Under these circumstances Your Committee are of opinion that it [150] is necessary to make application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners to take the said premises. They therefore recommend the adoption of following resolution to wit.

Resolved that the Counsel take the necessary measures to procure the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of taking the said premises and that the Mayor be authorised to affix the Common Seal to a petition for that purpose to the Supreme Court during the recess of the Board

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
David Marsh
Henry. J. Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition for & remonstrance against paving Stanton St reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition for & remonstrance against the paving of Stanton Street between Ludlow and Willett Streets Report. that they have viewed the premises and given the subject their deliberate consideration and are of the [151] opinion under all the circumstances that the prayer of the petitioners should be granted and accordingly respectfully recommend the following resolution

Resolved that Stanton Street be regulated and paved from Ludlow Street to the Easterly Side of Ridge St. and from the Westerly side of Pitt Street to the pavement at Willett Street and that the Street Commr carry the Same into effect

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and an ordinance agreably thereto was presented by the Street Commr and passed.

The Same Committee on the petition of Abr. Russell & others for permission to erect an Iron fence around the Methodist Church in Duane Street reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Russell & others for permission to erect an Iron railing in front of [152] the Methodist Church in Duane Street

Report.

that your Committee see no objections to the granting the prayer of the petitionrs and accordingly express their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved that the congregation of the Methodist Church in Duane Street have permission to erect an Iron railing in front of their church on a line three feet six inches in advance of the line of their property and paralel thereto

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff
Asa Mann.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition that Mercer Street be paved & regulated reported Vizt

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition

of George Lorillard & others praying that Mercer Street be paved & regulated from Howard Street to Bleecker Street

Report that in their opinion the request of the petitioners ought to be granted in part and accordingly recommend the passing of [153] the following resolution

Resolved that Mercer Street be Regulated & Paved from the South^{y} side of Howard Street to Prince Street and that the Street Commissioner carry the Same into effect

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and an ordinance agreably thereto was presented by the Street Commissioner & passed.

The Alderman & Assistant of 6th ward to whom was referred the petition for a well in Howard Street reported Viz^{t}

The Alderman & Assist of the Sixth Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Frederick Ridabock & others for a well and Pump to be placed in Howard St near Broad way

Report that they have viewed the premises and are of the opinion that the request of the petitioners ought to be granted and therefore [154] respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

(Signed.) Robert McQueen
Shivers Parker
R Graves St. Com^{r}

Which was approved and An ordinance agreably thereto was presented by the Street Com^{r} and passed.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Butchers of Fulton market praying to be relieved from their Contracts in relation to the Stalls in Said Market reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of the butchers of Fulton market praying to be releived from their leases in said market and placed on such principle as to pay them fees and maintain their families

Report. they have duly considered the subject and in their opinion it is necessary some relief should be granted them this subject is so well understood by the members of this Board it is deemed unnecessary to go into particulars to shew the Butchers [155] situation in this

market. your Committee has taken much pains to fix on the best mode of relief and at the same time to do justice to all parties

They have agreed to offer to the Board for consideration the following plan

That the leases of the Butchers stand in the Fulton market be cancelled provided however that they shall pay up all the rent now due on them and on or before the 1st day of September next. surrender up their leases, they however to be entitled to occupy their stands in said market until the last day of said month.

The Stands in said market to be subject to Such future disposition as the Board may direct

Your Committee beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to receive and Cancel such of the Butchers leases in the Fulton market as shall pay [156] up all the rent now due on their said Stands and on or before the first day of September next surrender up their leases.

Signed Shivers Parker
Jas Fairlie
Elam Williams
Thomas Bolton
David Seaman

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Mason reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Mason praying to be relieved from a personal tax One thousand Dollars he being a minister of the Gospel

Report that they have examined into the merits of the Case and are of opinion that relief ought to be granted as the Assessors of the ward have given a Certificate which is hereunto annexed of his being a minister of the Gospel and by law entitled to the exemption. respectfully offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the Collector refrain [157] from collecting the tax assessed on the personal property of Thomas Mason and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of the Fourth ward.

(Signed) William Thorn
David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Ab. Brewer reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Brewer praying to be relieved from a personal tax

Report that the petitioner (is deceased as they are informed) and they have no means of obtaining the necessary information they are under the necessity of offering the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner cannot be granted

Signed) Wm Thorn
David Marsh
H. J. Wyckoff

[158] Which was approved

The Same Committee on the petition of Wm Saunders reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Wm Saunders praying a remission of a tax of two $^{60}/_{100}$ dollars he being a private in the Artillery of this State

Report. that they have given his Case an investigation and as there does not appear any good reason for granting him relief as the Assessors refuse to give the necessary Certificate they respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed) Wm Thorn
David Marsh
H. J. Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

Mr Parker Chairman of the Market Commee presented the following

The Market Committee submit to the board the propriety of fixing the pay of the deputy Clerk & Sweeper of the [159] Franklin market they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that Geo. DurYea Depy Clerk of & Sweeper of The Franklin market be allowed for his services as Clerk of Said market one Dollar per diem and 25 cents per day as sweeper Sundays included the above pay to commence from the 1st day of July last. which was passed.

He also presented the following which was adopted.

Resolved that the Sweepers of Washingtn & Center markets be allowed each one Dollar per day sundays inclusive for their services

for sweeping said markets square and streets within the limits of said markets. The Sweepers to provide at their own expense Barrows Hoes & Shovels the pay of one dollar per day to commence from the first day of July last deducting therefrom any sums they may have received from that date as Sweepers

[160] A Resolution that an additional Street Inspector be appointed & that the City be divided into four districts under the direction of the Street Committee was referred to the Street Committee to consider & report as to the expediency of the measure.

A Resolution offered by Ald. Mann that a new Watch house be built at the intersection of Prince & Wooster St on a lot of ground belonging to the Corporation was referred to the Watch Committee with a request to report a place and an Estimate of the Expense attending the erection.

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 22 July	$129.99
Received for Tax 1 2 4 5 6 7 10 wards	27887.55
" Streets	4091.
" Rents	3107.56
" Justices Courts	720.41
" Lamps	231.84
" Fines from Sheriff	220.
" Do Police office	45.44
" Commutation Alien Passengers	445.
	$36,875.79

[161] 69 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton watch 1st District	$813.75
Hibberd & Clark Do 2nd	645.75
Bleakly & Brower Do 3d	624.75
A Burtis Supt Alms House officers 1. Qr Salary 1st	537.57
Wm Hoogland keeper of Penitentiary and 3 Assts	537.50
G Sickles keeper of City Prison 2 Deptys	450.
J Morton Cle'k of Com Council	300.
Richd L Walker Physician City Prison &c	75.
John Burger regulatg 4 Pub Clocks	50.
S Hutchings St Inspector 1 mo	54.25
J Pinckney Do "	54.25
A Ackerman Do "	54.25
Wm J Waldron Asst City Inspr	47.25
Obadiah Ayres do	47.25
Geo Mills Assist. Board of Health	47.25
Ben. Hicks Do "	47.25
Daniel H Magee keeper of Potters field	38.75

Chas Gilman keeper of Battery	$36.62
Andrew McCready keeper of Park	34.87
Astin & Cochrane Messengers	54.
O. Ayres Asst C. I. removing Nuisances 3 mo 1 int	31.90
Ezra Frost Clk Fulton market 1 mo	41.66
Isaac Asten sweeping Do	54.09
Van Pelt & Spear Printing	147.77
National Advocate 6 mo subscription	50.
J Hammond Justice 1. 2. 3 wards 1. Qr	400.
[162] E Morrill Justice 4 & 6 wards 1 Qr Salary	400.
Wm Cunningham 5 & 8th " "	400.
H Scovill Do 7 & 10 " "	400.
Joshua S Pell Clk 1, 2, 3 " "	187.50
Geo Betts Do 4 & 6 " "	187.50
Ebeneezer Burling 5 & 8 " "	187.50
Wm H Smith 7 & 10 " "	187.50
Wm G Ball 1, Qr rent Court room 1, 2, 3 wards	31.25
N. Bartlett Do " 4 & 6 "	25.
M M Noah Sheriff for officers atts courts	1191.
S Montgomery & others serving Subpoenas	204.62
John J Dusenbury Expenses to Harlaem for Dt Ay	1.50
Wm Schureman Costs suit " Fire Warden	95.32
Thomas Barnum work mud machine	84.
G Snethen Sups lighting Lamps	741.68
Robert Provoost reps lamps	75.80
Daniel Biggs work at Lamps 1 Qr	45.86
Lewis & J Webb. indemy for injury of M Sewer	39.78
Peter Van Maher for sundry services	16.
Higgins & Parks acct regs Lombardy St	700.
C. Mooney. bal. pavs side walks Arundel	88.15
H Smith acct regs [&] repaving Front	150.
A H Mooney act regs [&] pavs Fulton	305.82
C Moony act buils Sewer Cedar	100.
Do Do " " Thames St	100.
Tucker & Woodruff act buils Sewer in Thompa	1000.
H Smith acct paving Lispenard St	170.
[163] Thomas Cumming bal. regs Herring St	23.58
Do Do regulating Commerce	70.36
Francis Oneal award for opens White	635.
E Kirby & Lewis Webb Do Do	1000.
M Decamp act regs [&] pavs Fulton	509.79
M DeCamp " " Front fr Fulton to Crane Wharf	221.81
T Cumming regs [&] reps Curbing at Franklin mt	647.61
C Mooney for reps at Washington market	75.41
H Smith repavs intersection Broome and Sullivan	4.67
C Mooney Do Do Sundry Streets	45.29
R Pettigrew 1st payment for Well in Walker St	26.25
J Gallagher 1st payment well " Beach St	26.04
R Graves St Comr repairs of Roads	1000.

J P Roome Supt of Repairs, Docks & Slips	$1214.68
J. P. Roome Do for Repairs	275.
J Fleming Treasr to pay 1. Qr dividend on City Stock due 1st inst.	18.500.
	36666.93
Balance	$211.86

Board adjourned.

[164] In Common Council August 19th 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Lewis Ford
James Hall	Shivers Parker
Wm Paulding Junr	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Gerard De Peyster	Nathl Reynolds
Henry Mead.	David Seaman

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

A Report was received from Wm Hooghland keeper of the Penitentiary of the escape of Lewis Cisco & Robert Todd convicts confined in said Prison

A Request from Jonathan Thompson Esquire [165] Collector of the Port of New York stating that in case of the future progress of the Pestilential disease now prevailing in the City it might be necessary to remove the offices attached to the Custom House & requesting for that purpose in case of suche an event the use of the Fire Engine House at Greenwich which was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers.

A Petition of Robert Warnock Wm McLauglin & John Quin Assignees of Alexander H Mooney requesting that the lease of the property situated at the corner of Cherry & Roosevelt Streets lately held by said Mooney may be assigned to them was referred to the finance commee with powers

The following Petitions praying an Appointment to the office of Street Inspector were read and referred to the Committee on Applications Vizt Nicholas B Lyon Elkanah Smith Pierson Halstead, Jacob Coutant, Peter Berton Wm Cargill Oliver Jaques [166] David Oakly Thomas Demarest, John L Everitt Isaac A Isaacs Aaron Brinckerhoff and Nicolas Campbell.

A Petition from a number of Owners of property and Inhabitants of the 4th ward complaining of the present confined situation of Dover Street & praying that it may be widened from Pearl to Water St. was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Inhabitants residing in the vicinity of Spring Street Market stating that from the encreased population of that part of the City the present market is not sufficiently large to accomodate the inhabitants & praying that it may be enlarged from the present one to Washington Street was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A petition from the Inhabitants in the vicinity of Charlton Street praying that the same may be paved from Greenwich Street to the North river was read and laid on the table it was afterwards called up & referred to the Street Committee.

[167] A petition from the Inhabitants of Carmine Street praying that the pavement. of said St. may be extended from Herring Street to the intersection of the 6th Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A request from the New York & Jersey Steam boat Company stating that the proximity of the Ferry (Courtlandt Street) to the infected district occasioned uneasiness and alarm to those frequenting said Ferry & requesting permission to remove the same to some place of greater Safety was read and referred to the Ferry Committee with powers.

A petition of Leonard Baker imprisoned at the suit of the Corporation for a penalty incurred by running a Hackney Carriage one year without a license stating his utter inability to pay the amount of the Jud[g]ement and praying to be discharged therefrom was referred to the Police Committee with Powers.

[168] A Petition of Jacob Campbell agent of David S Skaats in relation to a Stoop which he had erected to an Old building higher than the Law allows. was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of George Richards to be permitted to place an Iron railing or wooden around his distillery at the corner of Green & Broome Street was read and referred to the Street Commee

A Memorial from the Inhabitants of Old Slip and its vicinity stating that since the erection of Franklin market they had been greatly annoyed by the rioutous conduct of Boys & Dissolute Characters who make said market a place of resort in the Evenings and of Sundays & praying that a Peace officer may be placed there at night

& during the day on Sundays was read & referred to his honor the Mayor.

A petition for a Well and Pump in Canal Street between Varick & Hudson Street was referred [to] the Alderman and Assistant of the ward and Street Commissioner to report an ordinance therefore

[169] A Remonstrance from the Inhabitants in the Vicinity of Vaux Hall Garden against the Fire works exhibited there & praying the Corporation to prohibit such exhibitions in future was referred to the Police Committee

A Memorial from certain Swiss Passengers in the Ship Elbe from Havre for themselves and fellow passengers was received Stating— that their object in Coming to this Country was to settle in the states of Ohio & Illinois—that the law requiring Alien Passengers either to give bonds or pay a Commutation of Five Dollars each is oppressive on them as they were not apprised of the necessity of it before arriving in the Port of N. York & being Strangers it is difficult if not impossible to procure sureties and the payment of the commutation money, as many of them have large families of Children for each of whom five dolla[r]s is demanded, would be distressing to them: As they intend immediately to depart from the City, they are persuaded the City will run no risk of their [170] becoming chargeable to it and they therefore respectfully request to be exempt from the said Regulation.

Whereupon the same was referred to his Honor the Mayor to act in the premises as he should judge advisable

A Petition of Benjamin Odell for the appoint^{t} of Weigher of Hay on the 3^{d} Avenue near Kips's Bay was referred to the Ald. & Assist^{t} of the 9th Ward

A Petition of Nathaniel Cramer for license as a Butcher for Stall N^{o} 38 Catharine market was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John Ashford to be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal was referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition from the Inhabitants residing at the foot of Jay Street praying that the Pier at that place may be immediately repaired was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[171] A petition of the Owners and Inhabitants in vicinity of Duane Street Park praying that the Side Walks between the Methodist Church and Hudson Street which is now repaving may be also widened was referred to the Street Committee.

The following were appointed " Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Engine Company

N° 4.

Augustin J Battin Clk 121 Fulton St
vice John Sutphen time exp^{d}

Samuel King Turner 14 John St. vice John Wintringham do

Francis Johnson Clerk 31 Ann St vice Jacob Skaats resigned

N° 17

Andrew T Carpenter Tailor 28 Cherry
vice James Cock time expired

N° 22

W^{m} Makins Ship Wright N° 2 Pelham St
vice Cornelius Concklin Dec^{d}

N° 25

George S Marschalk Accountant 13 Chatham St
vice John Hill res^{d}

[172] Silas Butler Jun^{r} Accountant 223 Pearl St
vice Isaac Collard time expired

N° 30

George Crawford Shoemaker Spring n^{r} Crosby St
vice John A Yeomans resig^{d}

The Street Com^{r} presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and collectors appointed

An Assessment for regulating & repaving the Street at the Old Slip and Noah Jarvis was appointed Collector.

For a Well and Pump in Sheriff St & Morris De Camp was appointed Collector.

For a Well and Pump in Prince Street & John G Betts was appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in Walker. Street and John G Betts was appointed Collector.

For a well and Pump in Beach Street and John G Betts was appointed Collector

He also presented the following ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed in each

For a Well and Pump in Sullivan Street near Canal Street and Peter H Wendover John Salsbury & Isaac Kip were Appointed Assessors

[173] For building a Cistern in Broome St in front of the Central Presbyterian Church and James Bleecker Abraham Dally and Benjamin Prince were appointed Assessors.

For regulating and paving Prince Street from Broadway to McDougall St. & Peter H Wendover John Targee and John Bedient were Appointed Assessors

For regulating Charlton Street and paving side walks in Charlton St. from Greenwich to Hudson St.

He also on the petition of Francis P. Vidal to be appointed a City Surveyor Reported as follows.

The Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of Francis P. Vidal praying to be appointed a City Surveyor

Respectfully Reports

that Mr Vidal is personally known to the undersigned as possessing the necessary qualifications requisite for a City Surveyor besides an excellent mathematical education [174] he has had more than two years practice under one of our best Surveyors add to *to* these an unimpeached Character

The Undersigned would therefore recommend that Mr Vidal be licensed a City Surveyor

All which is respectfully Submitted

(Signed) R Graves St Comm^r

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly

The Comptroller on the subject of the Piece of ground at the Corner of Elm Street and Grand St reported as follows

The Comptroller respectfully reports that agreably to directions of the Finance Comm^ee he advertised for sale at auction the piece of Ground at the Southerly corner of Grand & Elm Street as described in a report made to the Board on the 5^th^ instant

It was sold on the 12^th^ Instant to Edward Morris for three hundred and ten dollars

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) G. N. Bleecker Compt^r

Which was directed to be filed.

The Board of Health having upon the report [175] of a Committee of their body agreed to recommend to the Common Council to pass a law interdicting at the present time the interment of Dead bodies in the Grave yard of Trinity Church the Counsel at the request of the Board of Health presented a law agreably thereto entitled " a Law respecting Interments in Trinity Church Yard which was passed.

He Also at the request of the Board of Health presented a law entitled " A Law to amend the law to establish a board of Health which was passed.

He also presented for execution a deed to Edward Morris for a Strip of Ground in Grand Street prepared agreably to directions from the Comptroller which was directed to be duly executed

He also presented the following—The Counsel begs leave to inform the board that the Supreme Court have refused to discontinue the proceedings for extending Beekman Street and to appoint Commissioners of Estimate & Assessment *and Assessment* for the [176] purpose of extending & enlarging it in the manner set forth in the petition of the Corporation

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Ogden Edwards

Which was directed to be filed

The City Inspector to whom was referred the Complaint respecting a White lead manufactory reported as follows.

The City Inspector respectfully reports that he examined the Manufactory of White lead or Chalk at the foot of Harrison Street on the petition of sundry complainants on that Subject at the last meeting of the Board The proprietor of the manufatory conducts his business under a lease of the place and however disagreable or inconvenient it may be to the adjoining inhabitants yet as there is no Nuisance there the City Inspector conceives it out of his power to offer any remedy in this instance

respectfully submitted

Signed George Cumming

City Inspr

Which was ordered to be filed.

He also presented Ordinances for the [177] correction of sundry Nuisances which were passed Vizt

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances

No 1	T Stagg Junr	Owner	249	Front St.	A Lot.
2	Johnson Ver Planck	Lessee	30	William	Do
3	James Neilson	Owner		Canal St	Do
4	T & G Lovett	Do		Lawrens St	Do
5	*Abm* [Ar] L Stewart	Do		Mercer St	Do
6	E G Smith	Agent		Robinson St.	Do
7	Geo Warner	Owner		Greene St	Do
8	Ezra Weeks	Do		Thompson	Do
9	J S Watkins	Do		Washington	Do
10	David B Ogden	Do		Do	Do

Signed Geo Cumming

City Inspectr

The Committee of Applications on the petition of Charles Brown to be appointd a Measurer & Inspector of Lumber reported as follows,

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Brown Ship Whright to be a measurer of Timber & Lumber Beg leave to Report. that the Prayer of the Petitioner be [178] granted and respectfully offer the following resolution.

Resolved that Charles Brown be appointed a measurer of Lumber & Timber

Signed) David Marsh
Gerard De Peyster
Nathl Reynolds.

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of opening Amity Street through the grounds of John Ireland reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Sundry persons stating that in the Year 1812 Certain Stipulations were made by John Ireland for the opening of Amity Street through his Ground which were agreed to on the part of the Corporation as appears by an extract from the Minutes of the Board hereunto annexed One of the Conditions is that as soon as the Corporation shall Order the said Street to be opened or shall require possession of the said Ground they Shall pay the value of the dwelling house one [179] third of which shall be borne by the Corporation and the residue assessed on the Street at large &c &c And also that the ground ceded shall be delivered to them (the Corporn) On the 1st day of May in any year but at no other time giving six mos previous notice

Your Committee are of opinion that the time has arrived when it becomes necessary that Amity Street Should be opened and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that Amity Street be opened and continued through the grounds of John Ireland agreably to the conditions as entered into in the year 1812 and that the counsel to the Corporation take measures to have the same carried into effect

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Henry J Wyckoff
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[180] The Street Committee on the petition for paving Prince Street & Charlton Street made the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry

Persons requesting that Prince Street may be paved from Broadway to McDougall Street Also that *that* the side walks on the Northerly Side of Charlton St between Hudson & Greenwich Streets be paved And that Charlton Street may be paved from Greenwich St. to the Bulkhead Report— that they have viewed the premises and on mature deliberation thereon respectfully offer the following resolutions as expressive of their opinions.

Resolved that Prince Street be regulated and paved from Broadway to McDougall Street

Resolved that the side walks on the Northerly side of Charlton Street be paved from Greenwich to Hudson Street

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Henry J Wyckoff
David Seaman.

Which being read—the first & third resolutions were adopted but the Second resolution which was for regulating Charlton Street was referred back to the same Committee for [181] further consideration.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the request of John Eveleth for an advance on his contract for a new Mud Machine reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed petition of John Eveleth patentee of a Mud Machine stating he had incurred considerable expence in getting his family on from Washington and Soliciting the board to advance him about one third the amount of his contract respectfully Report. that they can see no impropriety in complying (in part) with Mr Eveleths request inasmuch as it will enable him to defray the expences of removing his family and (as he states) place him in a situation to devote more of his time and attention to the machine about to be constructed Your Committee therefore recommend that the board make an advance of three hundred dollars to Mr Eveleth and for their consideration offer [182] the following resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to issue a warrant to John Eveleth for three hundred dollars and that his Honor the Mayor be authorised to sign the same during the recess of this Board.

Signed) William H Ireland
Shivers Parker
Elam Williams
James Hall.

Which was agreed to and the resolution adopted.

Mr Thorn presented a resolution requesting the Finance Commee to enquire into and report respecting the occupation by H Rutgers & others of Lots ceded to widen [streets] between Catharine & Montgomery Streets and which were to be given up on the expiration of certain Leases on them & which Leases have expired was read and agreed to.

The Comptroller reported Balance in the Treasury 5th instant		$211.86
Received for tax of 1821 2d, 4, 5, 6, 8, wards		8535.33
"	Rents	6661.60
"	Streets	2479.16
"	Tavern licenses	955.90
[183]"	for Excise licenses	355.
	Wells & Pumps	289.27
	City Prison fees	280.50
	Justices Courts	863.92
"	fines from Sheriff	343.18
"	" from Attorney	13.14
"	Mayoralty fees	121.25
"	Interest	32.60
		$21142.73

39 Accounts Audited

Leak & Walton Watch 1st distt	$855.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	624.75
G. N. Bleecker Compr 1 Qr 15 instant	437.50
J. P. Roome Supt Repairs Do 14 inst	250.
O Edwards Counsr Drafting Laws &c Certificates of Lots sold & Arguing Case of Beekman St in Albany	262.02
Jacob Hays 3 officers attending on Sundays	110.
Thomas Longworth 6 Directories for 1822	10.50
Richard Smith Clk of Washingn Markt 1 mo 1st	60.
John Bremner Clk of Catharine Mark	58.
Peter Ammerman Do of 6 markets	35.25
Samuel Titus 1 Qr rent Court room 7. 10. wards	31.25
Harmanus Tallman Coroner fees 1 Qr	509.43
F Nostrand painting Eng. No 5	16.
Leonard Baum Do No 23	16.
[184] James Bleecker Selling lots at Auction for taxes	84.
Stephen Baxter filling 4 lots on Lawrc St. a Lien	363.19
T. Lovett. fills at Bulkhd foot of White Hall St at Batty	1048.02
Tucker & Woodruff builds Stone Wall at do	416.60
John J Labagh Cut Stone for Do Do	314.06
C Mooney Corpn ½ repas Ceenties Slip Water to South St	148.10
James Pinkerton reps Chamber St. at the Park	73.63
A H. Mooney repaving Sundry intersections	32.36
Thomas Cumming " intersection Pearl St O. Slip	7.08

John Taylor Inspr builds Fly Market, Sewr	52.
J Baily acct Regs & pavs Essex from Broome to Delancy	200.
H Smith bal. regs & repas Front from Burls Slip to Fulton St	41.99
H Smith acct Do Do Do from Fulton St to Crane Wf	350.
G Charlton 1st Paymt on Well Mercer n Spring St	59.84
Abraham Storms buils bulk Head on West. St fr Chamr to Duane St	2900.70
T Barnum Work at Mud Machine to 11th inst	88.50
J. P. Roome Supt Repairs for Repairs	939.
Jacob P Roome do Fire Departmt	546.
J P Roome do Cost of addn to Centre Markt	394.
J. P Roome do for battery fence at W Hall Slip	287.
J P Roome do for Pump Departmt	250.
John Fleming to pay the State of N. Y. amt State tax for 1821	1565.06
Arthur Burtis Superintendant A. H	5000.
Arthur Burtis Do for working Convicts on avenues	2000.
	21083.30
Balance	$59.43

Board adjourned

[185] Special Meeting August 24th 1822.

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	John D Brown
James Hall	Lewis Ford
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	William Thorn
Jacob M Taylor	Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry Mead	David Seaman

The Mayor Stated that he had called this meeting in consequence of sundry applications on the subject of removing the Butchers from the Washington market.

A Petition was received from sundry Butchers remaining in the Washington market praying that they may be permitted to remove to some other place

A Petition from a number of Inhabitants [186] of Hudson Square stating they understood that the Butchers of Washington market are desirous of establishing themselves during the prevailing sickness in the vicinity of that place and signifying their appro*po*bation of the same And a Remonstrance from a number of Inhabitants of Hudson Square against the establishment of the Butchers at that place were

severally read and referred to the Market Committee. with authority to assign Such place for the removal of the Butchers as they shall judge expedient

A Pet. was received from Peter Crawbuck requesting to be permitted to remove his Stall from Franklin Market as his Customers had generally removed from that vicinity was read and it was resolved that it be referred to the Market Committee with authority to permit the Petitioner or any others of the Butchers of that Market to remove to such place as the Committee shall designate.

A Request of John C & Robert L Stevens requesting permission to remove the Hoboken Ferry from the foot of Barclay Street to such [187] other place as the Board may deem advisable during the continuance of the present fever was read & referred to the Ferry Committee to grant as far as the power of the Corporation extends having reference to other existing Leases.

A Complaint from a number of Inhabitants of the filthy condition of the Steam Boat Wharf at Fulton Street was referred to the City Inspector with direction to remove the nuisance complained of

A Petition from fire Engine Company N° 34 requesting permission to sell the same for which they are offered $225. & to procure another of greater powers was read & referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

It having been represented that suits had *had* been commenced against some of the Butchers who had removed from Washington Market & were selling meat at Hudson Square It was. Resolved that the subject be referred to the Market Comm^ee

[188] In Common Council Sept^r 2^d 1822

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq^r Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
James Fairlie	Samuel B Harper
James Hall	Jno D Brown
Robert McQueen	Lewis Ford
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Jacob B Taylor	W^m Thorn
Henry Mead	David Marsh

The Minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Special meeting were read and approved.

A Petition for a Well and Pump in Goerck Street between Delancy

and Rivington Streets was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward and Street Commr

A Petition of John Crowler Lessee of Cellar [189] Nº 14 under Fulton market praying permission to relinquish his lease of the Same was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Lewis Valloo for further time for payment of interest on an Assessment due from him was read and referred to the Same Committee

A Petition of A Pentz for relief from a fine incurred by incumbering the Street was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Proposal of J G Morgan Major 3d Brigade of N Y State Infantry to establish a Military watch or guard for the purpose of protecting the property of the inhabitants in the deserted part of the City was read and directed to be laid before the Board of Health

A Complaint of Nathaniel Hunt stating that having been summoned by the Watch Committee to attend as a Witness on a complaint before [190] them against two of the Watchmen belonging to Captain Reuben Clark's Watch & having given in his testimony before the said Committee he was on his return home insulted & grossly abused by Captain Clark in a rioutous & highly indecorous manner & requesting that said Clark may be discharged & some more suitable person appointed to take charge of the Watch which having been read was referred to the Watch Committee.

A Petition of Jacob Seguine for appointment as Street Inspector was referred to the Commee on Applications.

A Petition of Wm Todd was received Stating that he is Owner of Houses Nº 220 & 222 Harman Street that said Street having been dug down for the purpose of regulating it and the houses being so constructed as not to admit of Stairs being placed on the inside He prays permission to erect Stairs in front to the height of six feet which was referred to the St Committee with powers.

A Complaint from H P Robertson & A number [191] of inhabitants of a Lot of Ground used by people of Color as a burying ground as dangerous to the public Health & offensive to the Neighbourhood was read [&] directed to be laid before the Board of Health.

A Petition from the Butchers of the Fulton market to be permitted to remove from said market & to occupy the vacant space at Chatham square was read and referred to the Market Committee with authority to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

And it was also resolved that authority be given to the Market Committee to permit the Butchers of Catharine market to remove

from said market & to occupy such other place as to the Market Committee shall seem fit and proper

A petition of Asa Prior Lessee of Cellar N° 18 under Fulton market praying that the repairs made by him on the Premises may be received in part payment of the rent due [192] from him was read and referred to the Finance Committee

The following were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies.

Fire Engine Company

N° 9.

Francis Denham Cooper 66 Front Street
vice W^m B Van Nortwick time expired

James Divan Cooper 66 Front Street
vice W^m Stuart left the city

The St. Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed

An Assessment for paving the Side walks in Allen Street and Morris De Camp was appointed Collect^r Also for Regulating & Paving Chrystie Street. from Broome to Delancy St. & Morris De Camp was appointed Collector

He also presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed in each Viz.

An Ordinance for a Well and Pump in Orchard St near Broome and John Targee Abraham Dally and Benjamin Prince were appointed Assessors.

[193] Also for Paving Carmine Street from Herring St. to the Sixth Avenue and John Salisbury Peter H Wendover & James Bleecker were appointed Assessors

Also for Paving Green Street from Broome to Spring St. and John Targee John Bedient & Benjamin Prince were appointed assessors.

The Street Commissioner also presented an account of E & A Wilson Lessees of the block of Ground on West Street between Charlton & Spring Streets for filling & regulating the Streets adjoining the leased premises at sundry times which was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Counsel presented for execution a Grant to Noah Brown for a water lot Also a Grant to Henry Eckford for a Water lot. Also a deed to David Gardiner of a lot of ground at the Corner of Oliver Street. this deed is in pursuance of an agreement between the Cor-

poration and David Gardiner entered into on the 6th of January [194] 1820. which said Grants & Deed were ordered to be duly executed.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom had been referred the petitions of Fire Engine Company N° 6. and 34 reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire department to whom was referred the petition of Fire Engine Company N° 34 for permission to sell their Engine for the sum of Two hundred and twenty five dollars in consequence of its being too small and being very much out of repair And also the petition of Fire Engine Company N° 6 for the same purpose

Report. they are satisfied that the interests of the Fire Department would be essentially promoted by granting the prayer of the petitioners & therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that Fire Compy N°/34 and N° 6 have permission to sell their respective Engines if the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars can be obtained for N° 34 and the sum of five hundred dollars for N° 6.

Signed James Hall
Robert McQueen.

[195] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments on the Petition of Joseph Robinson reported Vizt

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Robinson praying to be relieved from a part of his personal tax

Report.

That the petitioner has failed to procure the necessary proof to satisfy your Committee of the justice of his claim they are therefore under the necessity of offering the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner Ought not to be granted

Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
David Marsh.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the resolution respecting building a Watch house for the [196] accomodation of the 3d Watch District made the following report.

The Watch Committee to whom was referred the resolution of the Common Council respecting the building a House for the accommodation of the 3d district watch

Report. that they have given the subject their deliberate consideration and are of opinion that some better and more convenient accommodations ought to be provided for the Watchmen of that district the House they occupy at present being much too small and badly calculated for the purpose

Your Committee have concluded to recommend the building a plain Substantial house two Stories high with a basement suitable for Cells &c on a lot belonging to the Corpn Situate at the Corner of Prince & Wooster Street from the best information they have been able to as obtain the cost will not exceed $3000 a Sum about one third less than that of the Second district watch house and equally as commodious.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved that a Building be erected on a lot at the corner of Prince & Wooster St [1971 for the accommodation of the 3d Watch District under the Watch Committee

(Signed) Asa Mann
John D Brown
Samuel B Harper
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of 8th ward & Street Commr on the petition for a Well and Pump in Canal Street between Varick & Hudson Street reported Viz The Aldn & Assist of the Eighth Ward and Street Commr to whom was referred the within petition for a Well & Pump Report their opinion by the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh.
R Graves. St. Commr

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was [198] referred the petition for paving Carmine Street to the Sixth Avenue reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within petition

Report. that in their opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that the Street Commissioner have the same carried into effect.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh.
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the Street Commr reported an ordinance thereto which was passed

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Green Street from Broome to Spring Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the within petition Report that they have caused notice thereof to be advertised and as no Objections have been offered thereto they recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

[199] Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that the Street Commissioner report an ordinance accordingly.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
Henry J Wyckoff
David Marsh

Which was approved and the Street Comr reported an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed

The Same Committee on the petition of George Richards to place an Iron railing around his Distillery reported Vizt

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of George Richards for permission to erect an Railing around his distillery at the Corner of Broome and Greene Streets Report their opinion by the following resolution

Resolved that George Richards be permitted to erect an Iron railing on Broome Street & Greene St. in front *front* of his Distillery provided the same do not extend more than three feet six inches from the building [200] in Broome Street and three feet from the building in Green Street

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Henry J Wyckoff
David Marsh.

The question being taken thereon it was carried in the affirmative A Division having been called by Alderman Mann the members voted as follows.

Affirmative Mr. Recorder, Ald. Wyckoff, Fairlie, Hall, Taylor, Mead, Mr Bolton, Harper, Brown, Marsh. 10.

Negative Ald McQueen Mann Messrs Ford Parker Thorn 5.

Ald Taylor presented the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Street Committee have power to permit the Auctioneers to sell in the Streets to which they have removed during the present Epidemic in the same manner as they are permitted to sell at their former places of business.

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 19 August	$59.43
Received for tax of 1821 9th ward	4188.52
[201]" for Rents	3680.84
" Arrears of taxes	1126.
" Lien on Lots	674.61
	$9729.40

54 Accounts Audited

*John Eveleth acct. New Mud Machine ordd 19 Aug	300.
Leek & Walton Watch 1st Distt	927.75
Hibberd & Clark " 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	624.75
Geo. Cumming City Inspr 1 Qr Salary 1st inst	200.
Talman J Waters Clk Comprs office 1 Qr 24 Aug	200.
John Fleming trear 1 Qr Salary 19 July	100.
Thomas Franklin Chf Engr 1 Qr Do 18 Augt	125.
Ogden Edwards Counsel 1 Qr 27 Aug	100.
B Skaats Keepr City Hall 1 Qr 24 do	100.
Samuel Hutchings St Inspector 1 mo. 1st inst	54.25
Jonathan Pinckney Do " "	54.25
Abraham Ackerman Do " "	54.25
Astin & Cochrane Messengrs " "	54.
Wm J Waldron Asst. City Inspr " "	47.25
Obadiah Ayres Do " "	47.25
Charles Gilman Keeper of Battery "	34.87
Andrew McCready D Park "	34.87
G Mills Assist. Bd of Health "	47.25
Benjn Hicks Do " "	47.25
R Skaats. Expenses for Corporation	155.11
[202] Richard Smith Clk of Washington Market 1 mo	61.12
Peter Ammerman, " 6 markets	34.50
Isaac Asten Sweeper of Fulton Market	58.09
James C Mallory painting engine No 9	16.
Oliver F Hewlett do " No 16	26.
Thomas Barnum Work at Mud machine 25th augt	237.77
Charles H Robinson 29 Casks of Oil	1029.36
Barker & Hopkins 9 Casks do	313.28

* Memorandum reads *Warrant issued.*—Ed.

G Snethen Supt lights lamps 1 mo 1st inst	770.68
Robert Provoost repairing lamps	47.55
Proprietor of American 6 mo subscription 26 Aug	50.
Richard Hatfield Clk of Sessions 1 Qr Salary 2 inst	500.
Richard Hatfield do to pay witnesses 1 Qr 2nd	27.
B Skaats Crier of Court. 1 Qr 2nd inst	25.
James Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary	187.50
Josiah Hedden do " " "	187.50
Henry Abell do " " "	187.50
Geo B Rapalye Clk of Police	187.50
R Stephens Assist. Clk Do	200.
J Hays & officers Extra services Police "	203.40
J Hays & Do Conveying persons to Penitenty 1 Qr 26 aug	62.
Geo. B Raymond and Officers conts Persons to City prison 1. Qr 1 Augt	168.
Philetas Woodruff for Carpenters work—Fulton market	250.
Edward W Bridges Surveys & maps Sundry Assessmts	302.38
Legrand Jarvis do do do	81.17
H Smith Acct Curbing and flagging sidewalks Bond and G Jones St.	100.
J Rice and A Wallace balance regs & paving Howard St from Broadway to Mercer St	44.49
[203] A H Mooney acct regs & pavs Fulton St from Water St to E River	30.32
H Smith bal. regs & pavs Front St fr. Fulton to Crane W	28.21
R Pettigrew bal. for well in Sheriff n. Grand	58.98
R Pettigrew bal for well in Walker St n Broadway	35.25
J Gallagher bal Well on Bedford St. n Arden	24.90
R Pettigrew 1st Payment well in Howard St. near Broadway	21.96
	9511.26
Balance	$218.14

Board adjourned.

[204] In Common Council Septr 16th 1822.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
James Fairlie	John D Brown
Robert McQueen	Lewis Ford
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Jacob B Taylor	David Seaman
Henry Mead.	

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved

A Memorial of S H Ward offering for sale his patent machine for making Brooms was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House.

A petition of Ezra Frost Deputy Clerk of Fulton market requesting a leave of absence as the market is no longer attended [205] by the Citizens was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition was received from Edward Morris stating that he lately purchased from the Corporation a lot of land in fee on the corner of Leonard and Grand Street being 52 feet in length & five feet in Depth that upon the Survey of the same for the petitioner by the Assist. St. Commr there was wanting six inches & three quarters of an inch which had been taken in by an adjoining building & praying relief which was referred the Finance Committee.

A Petition from Eliza Glover & others for permission to pave Lawrence Street between Prince & Spring St. was referred to the Street Committee with authority to grant the request.

A Representation was received from the Justices of the Marine Court stating that in their opinion public good requires that some other place than the present should be procured for [206] *for* the holding of the said Court, as during the present Epedemic the business of the Court cannot be proceeded in as the persons summoned as Jurors refuse to attend: the same being read was laid on the table

A Petition was received from James Gardner & John Heyer Execrs of James Gardner Decd stating that petitioners have lately built a wharf on the Northerly side of Grand Street Slip that the same has been appropriated by the Corporation for the purposes of a Ferry and praying payment of the proportion usually allowed in such cases, they also request the renewal of the Certificate to them to receive Wharfage for the Dock on the southly side of Broome Street which has been lost. The same being read was referred to the Finance Committee.

A petition of Thomas Sibert for License as a Butcher was referred to the Market Committee

A petition of the Butchers & Sellers of fish in Grand Street market requesting to have a platform & Shed erected at the East [207] End of the Market was referred to the Market Committee with powers.

A petition for a well and pump in Grand near Thompson Street was referred to the Ald & Assistant of the ward and Street Commr

The following were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies. Viz[t]

Fire Engine Company

No° 22.

Thomas Megson Ship Wright Lombardy St

vice Richard Morrell res[d]

The Comptroller presented the following report on the account of George B Smith late Collector of taxes which was directed to be filed. Viz[t] The Comptroller respectfully reports that he has examined the account of George B Smith late Collector of Arrears of taxes from 1 May 1821 to 12[th] August 1822.

Balance due him on Old Acct 28[th] May 1821	$5.
He has paid into the Treasury for taxes collected and Interest and Costs	4602. 6
[208] Paid Counsellor for 21 Certificates	63.
Refunded for a purchase being redeemed	10.
Commissions	724.24
	$5404.30
Received for Arrears of Taxes in 10 wards	$4177.83
Interest on Do	650.47
Cost of Advertising & Expences on Sales 12[th] August 1822	576.
	$5404.30

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) G. N. Bleecker, Compt[r]

The City Inspector presented Ordinances for Correction of Sundry Nuisances which were passed. Viz[t]

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correcting nuisances, Viz[t]

No° 1	C Lawson	No° 33	Cross Street	A Lot
2	Anthony Kerr		Hester Street	Do°
3	Robert Anderson		Mulberry & Pump	Do°
4	David Dunham		Prince Street	Do°
5	H Hendricks		Bedford & Commerce	Do°
6	Anthony Lamb		Broadway	Do°

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspect.

The St. Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and [209] Noah Jarvis appointed Collector in each. Viz[t]

An Assessment for well and Pump in mercer near Spring St.

Also for paving Elm Street from Broome to Spring St.

He also presented the following Ordinances which were passed and assessors appointed in each Viz[t] An Ordinance for paving Lawrence St. from Spring to Prince St. and Abraham Dally John Bedient and James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

Also a well and Pump in Canal St. between Hudson & Varick Street & Isaac Kip Peter H Wendover and Benjamin Prince were appointed Assessors.

The following on the Case of Peter G Stuyvesant was received from the Attorney & the fine remitted agreably to his recommendation.

The Attorney of the Board respectfully reports on the case [210] of Peter G Stuyvesant who was sued for a penalty of $100 for not complying with an ordinance for filling in lots 137 & 139 Chrystie Street by the 1[st] of May 1822. The City Inspector certifies that the Ordinance has been since complied with and Mr Stuyvesant has paid the costs of the suit. the Attorney respectfully recommends a remission of the penalty

(Signed) M. Ulshoeffer

A Communication was received from the Attorney on the subject of Complaints made to him against Stage Coaches driving for fare without taking out licenses therefor & also against the Hackney Coachmen for occupying at the present places for stands not designated by Law which being read was referred to the Police Committee

The Ald & Ass[t] of the 10[th] ward on the petition for a well and Pump in the vicinity of the Corner of Delancy Street & Columbia Street reported as follows.

The Ald & Assist[t] of the 10[th] Ward to whom was referred the Petition of Owners and Occupants of Property in the vicinity of Delancy and Columbia Streets [211] Praying for a Well and Pump beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the petition ought to be granted.

(Signed) Henry Mead
David Seaman
R. Graves St Com[r]

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same on the petition referred to them for a Well and Pump in Goerck Street between Delancy & Rivington St. reported as follows.

The Ald[n] & Assist. of the 10[th] ward to whom was referred the petition of owners of property on Goerck between Delancy and Riving-

ton Street praying for a Well and Pump at the Centre of the Block beg leave to report their opinion in the following resolution

Resolved, that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted

(Signed) Henry Mead
David Seaman
R. Graves St Comr

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[212] The following resolutions were presented by Ald. Mann.

Resolved that in case any of the City Watch who may be employed by the Corporation in the infected District shall be taken sick upon application to the Board of Health or the President thereof a Physician shall be employed to attend such Watchman at the expence of this Board

Resolved that the additional sum of ¼ of a Dollar each night shall be allowed to all the Night watch in the First Watch District until the Further order of the Board. The Question being taken separately on the said resolutions they were adopted

Alderman Mann moved that a Committee be appointed to provide a suitable place for the accommodation of this Board & for the accomodation of the officers in Case it should be necessary on account of the prevalence of the present Epedemic to remove the same from the City Hall.

After some Discussion the motion was negatived

The Comptroller reported as follows.

[213] Balance in the Treasury 2nd Inst	$218.14	
Received for rents	3627.03	
Streets	2617.63	
Justices Courts	856.76	
Mayoralty fees	275.	
Commutation Alien Passengers	235.	
Excise	211.	
Police Office	184.87	
Arrears of taxes	176.06	
Wells & Pumps	160.	
Intelligences offices	100.	
fines from Sheriff	76.	
	$8737.49	
Loan of Mechanics bank authd 10 Decr 1821	11500.	20.237.49

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Leek & Walton Watch	1st Distt	$960.75
Hibberd & Clark do	2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do	3d "	624.75

Stephen Allen Esqr Mayor 1 Qr 12 inst	750.	
Danl H Magee keepr of Potters field 1 mo 1st Inst	38.75	
Wm J Waldron Assist City Inspect removing Nuisances to 1st inst	34.37	
Thomas Longworth 10 temporary directories	3.75	
George Duryee Clk of Frankn Markt 15 July to 1 June	60.	
John Bremner Clk of Cathe " 1 mo. 1st inst	58.	
Ezra Frost Clk of Fulton market do "	41.66	
Thomas Barnum work at mud machine	98.53	
Haviland and Weeks builg Culvert at O. Slip	46.	
H Smith repairg flagg at Duane market	11.52	
[214] Thomas Lovett acct filling in at the Battery	3000.	
E Clason for 288 tons of Gravel Do	180.	
Johnson Verplanck advertising sale of lots for taxes 12 Aug.	54.	
M Burnham do do do	50.	
John Morgan 1st paymt on Cont. for building new mud machine	725.	
R Graves St Comr Repairs to Roads	1000.	
Abell W Hardenbrook acct of Engines	900.	
R Riker Chairman Comee Board of Health	750.	
Arthur Burtis Suptt Alms House	10.000.	20.032.83
	Balance	$.204.66

Board adjourned.

[215] Special Meeting In Common Council Sep 21 1822.

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Robert McQueen	Lewis Ford
Jacob B Taylor	Shivers Parker
Henry Mead.	William Thorn
	David Marsh
	David Seaman

The President stated that he had called the special meeting at the request of for the purpose of submitting to the Board a communication from the Justices of the Marine Court to be permitted to hold their Court at some other place than the City Hall during the prevalence of the present Epidemic as suitors and Jurors would not attend at the City Hall.

But a quorum of the Board not attending the Board was adjourned

[216] In Common Council Sept. 30th 1822.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
James Fairlie	Samuel B Harper
James Hall	Wm H. Ireland
Robert McQueen	John D Brown
Jacob B Taylor	Lewis Ford
Henry Mead	Shivers Parker
	David Marsh
	Nathaniel Reynolds
	David Seaman

The Minutes of the last regular & Special meeting were read and approved.

A memorial subscribed by a number of Clergymen of different denominations of this City was received setting forth that acknowledging as we do the being and providence of the only Lord God & Lord Jesus Christ and [217] confessing as we must a common criminality & Demerit in his sight and visited as we are with one of those desolating Scourges which himself expressly challenges in his word not only as a Judgement of which he is righteous dispenser but as one of his sore Judgements upon a Community of transgressors and knowing as we may that his own invisible agency appoints and controls in sovereign wisdom all the series of secondary causes however complex & inscrutable to man it becomes us every way in our collective Character as a city & after the example of ancient Niniveh to humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God that he may exalt us in due time. The reasons and propriety of such a general Humiliation they hope are obvious and they conclude with observing that having made the suggestions they confide in the wisdom of the Common Council to approve. The Same having been read his honor the Recorder presented the following Resolutions which were adopted and it was referred to his Honor the Mayor [218] to fix upon such day for the religious observances proposed in the resolution as he shall judge fit and proper.

"The Common Council conceiving it to be the duty of a community in a Season of peculiar affliction to unite in their social capacity in supplicating the favour of the Almighty to avert his judgements and viewing the present visitation of sickness in our City as

one of those events which calls for the attention of the inhabitants in imploring the Supreme ruler of the Universe to Stay the disease now prevailing among us. Therefore Resolved that the Common Council earnestly recommend to the inhabitants of this City to Set apart and observe Friday the 11th instant as a day of public Humiliation and prayer to almighty God that he would be pleased to interfere in our behalf and arrest the progress of the malady and in his infinite mercy to restore health to the City And it is hereby recommendd to all the citizens to abstain from servile labour and unnecessary recreations on the above day and to devote the Same to religious worship for the purposes aforesaid.

[219] A petition for a Well and Pump in Lawrence Street between Prince and Hauston Street

Also for one Corner of Hudson & North Moore Street And for one in Grand St near Wooster St. were read and referred to the Aldermen & Assistants of the respective wards and St Commr

A Petition of Abraham Lent for remission of fine for selling liquor without having obtained a license therefor was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Robert Ferguson for payment of balance due for regulating Edridge Street was referred to the Finance Committee

A petition from several Lessees of Cellars under Fulton market complaining of the leaking of the cieling of their room or Floors above them and praying that it may be remedied was referred to the Market Committee with powers.

A Petition from the Owners & Residents [220] in the vicinity of Hubert Street praying that as the Bridge leading from Hubert Street to the North Battery is not now needed by the United States for Public purposes that the same may be converted into a Wharf & A Pier run out from Beach Street for the accommodation of the encreasing population of that part of the City which being read was referred to the Finance Committee

A petition of Michael Tully requesting the corporation would advance to him the amount due on the Contract for filling in Wooster Street as owing to the present Epidemic the Collectors are unable to collect the amount due was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A request of the treasurer of the Free School Society for payment of $1500. in pursuance of an act of the Legislature granting said Society $1000 from the Excise fund passed 27 Feb. 1807 and of

act granting $500 passed 31 March 1811 which was referred to the Finance Committee.

[221] A petition from Abraham Stagg & others owners of lots on Stanton Street between Pit and Ridge Streets praying that the continuation of the regulation of said Street as far up as Pitt Street be done agreably to former regulations.

Also a Pet from Noah Brown and others owners on Stanton St. between Goerck & Pitt St. praying that the pavement now under contract for Stanton St between Willett and Pitt Street be made to conform with the Block between Pitt & Ridge Street that is now done.

Also a petition from Thomas G Hays & others owners of lots on Stanton St. stating that that street has been paved from Ridge to Pitt Street and that from some cause or other the Street has been left at least one foot too low and praying that it may [be] remedied which petitions were severally read and referred to the Street Commᵉᵉ.

A Communication from the Street Commissioner on the subject of the last mentioned Pet. was read and referred to the Same Committee.

[222] A Petition from Noah Brown & others Owners & Inhabitants residing at Manhattan Island praying for the establishmᵗ of an Engine Company & that an Engine may be placed there was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Pet. praying that Mercer Street may be Regulated & paved from Prince to Bleecker St. was referred to the St. Committee.

A Communication of Ralph Bulkly proposing a plan for purifying the foul air of the Canals or Common Sewers by means of Furnaces placed on the opening of the Sewers in the Street whereby the putrid air being made to pass through *through* the flames of the Funnels of the furnace thus undergoing the action of Fire will be rid of their impurity and become innoxious to the Inhabitants breathing the Air of the Atmosphere in the vicinity the Same being read was referred to the Committee on Canals.

The Chief Engineer reported that agreably to the Resolution of the Board he had [223] disposed of Fire Engine Nº 6 for $500 and Nº 34 for 250. & had paid the amount to the Treasurer. He recommended that two Engines be built for Companies Nº 6 & 34 in place of those sold which was referred to the Commᵉᵉ on the Fire Department.

The City Inspector presented Ordinances. for Correction of Nuisances. which were passed. Vizᵗ

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for Correction of Nuisances Viz[t]

N° 1	A Stewart	Owner	Mercer St	A Lot.
2	D° D°	D°	Sullivan "	D°
3	W[m] Jones	Agent	Stanton St	D°
4	J M[c]Vickar	D°	D° & Eldridge	D°
5	A Marx	Owner	Mercer St	D°

Signed George Cumming
City Inspector

The Board agreably to Law proceeded to appoint Inspectors for the general Election commencing on the 4[th] day of November next ensuing when the following persons were appointed

1st Ward	[223A] 2nd Ward
Thomas R Smith	Jonathan Coddington
Stephen Whitney	James Benedict
Henry Cotheal	Samuel St. John.
3d Ward	**4th Ward**
Maltby Gelston	John P Anthony
Philip Hone	Lewis Hartman
Daniel D Smith	Joshua Hyatt.
5th Ward	**6th Ward**
Benjamin Strong	Richard S Walker
John B Schmelzel	Alex[r] M Muir
Gideon Tucker	Nicolas C Everett.
7th Ward	**8th Ward**
Abraham Dally	Samuel M Thompson
Samuel Dayton	David S Jones
Job Furman.	Stewart F Randolph
9th Ward	**10th Ward**
Effingham Schieffelin	John Drake
William A Davis	Thomas Lovett
Thomas Morris	Jeremiah Lounsberry

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 16[th] inst.....	$204.66	
Received for rents.....	1970.90	
" Fire Department	750.	
Loan of Mechanics bank authorised 10 Dec. 1821.....	5500.	8425.50

[224] 29 Accounts audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District.....	$1351.75
Hibberd and Clark D° 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower D° 3d	624.75

Samuel Hutchings St Inspr 1 mo. 1 oct.....	$52.50	
Jonathan Pinckney Do " "	52.50	
Abraham Ackerman Do " "	52.50	
Wm J Waldron Asst City Inspr " "	43.75	
Obadiah Ayres Do " "	43.75	
George Mills Asst Bd of Health "	43.75	
Benjn Hicks Do " "	43.75	
Asten & Cochrane Messengers " "	50.	
Danl H Magee keeper of Potters field "	37.50	
Chas Gilman Do " Battery "	33.75	
Andrew McCready " Park	33.75	
Hugh Maxwell Dist Atty 1 Qr 16 inst.....	750.	
Isaac Asten Sweeper Fulton market. 1 mo 1 Oct.....	53.59	
George Duryee Clk of Franklin " " "	37.60	
Charles Robinson 38 Casks of Oil.....	1547.42	
G Snethen Supt lights lamps 1 mo. 1 Oct.....	711.64	
Robert [Provost] Repairing Do " "	40.89	
George Lovett bal. buildg bulk head White Hall Slip.....	546.	
John Eveleth Acct Contt buildg new Mud Machine.....	60.	
James Mehan paving sundry intersections.....	24.60	
R Ayres fillg at Fulton & West Streets.....	14.12	
R Pettigrew 1st payt well mercer n Houston St.....	43.60	
James Gallagher Do D in Sullivan n Canal.....	18.85	
[225] Jacob P Roome Supt Repairs for Shingles at washington market	800.	
J. P. Roome. Do Repairs Fire Department.....	400.	
J P Roome Do Pump Department.....	150.	8307.96
Balance.....		$117.60

Board Adjourned.

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[227] In Common Council Oct^{r} 14th 1822.

The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esq^{r} Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton.
James Hall	Samuel B Harper.
Robert McQueen	Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann	John D Brown
Jacob B Taylor	Lewis Ford
Henry Mead	Shivers Parker
	Wm Thorn
	David Marsh
	David Seaman

The Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of Ab. Stagg & others remonstrating against a Report they understood is to be presented by the Street Committee this evening on Stanton Street was read & laid on the table until the Coming in of said report of said Comm^{ee} It was afterwards called up and the Report of the Committee was read and adopted

[228] A petition that one of the Side walks of Essex Street between Grand & Broome St. be paved was referred to the Street Committee

A petition that a Well & Pump may be placed on the W Side of the Bowery in vicinity of N^{o} 250 was referred to the Aldermen and assist. of ward & St. Com^{r}

A petition of John Johnston Insp^{r} of Firewood for an alteration of the Inspection District to which he is assigned was read & referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Thomas VanZandt on the Subject of opening Beekman St. requesting to be informed whether the Corporation intend opening said Street upon the Old line or to make a further application to the Supreme Court for opening the same on the new line lately adopted by the Corporation was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A petition of John G Bertholf & others praying to have Lawrence Street [229] paved from Spring St. to Livingstons line was referred to the Street Comm^{ee} with powers.

A petition of Meade Darrow for Stall N^{o} 44 Washington market.

And a Pet. from George Pessenger for the same Stall was referred to the Market Comm^{ee}

A Petition from Sundry Persons owners of Lot fronting on Mercer Street praying that several houses which project into the Street may be removed and that the Street may be paved & Regulated up to Bleecker St. was referred to the Street Committee.

A petition of Folger & Lamb & others temporary Inhabitants of Greenwich village stating that Some of the Sheds which they have erected there for their accomodation during the Prevalence of the present Epidemic have through inadvertence been erected so as to project a small distance on the Street for which they have been prosecuted & praying relief was referred to the Street Committee with powers.

A Petition that the Southe side of Broome Street may be paved from the Bowery [230] to Essex Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

The following resignations of persons appointed Inspectors of the ensuing Election was received—accepted—and the following appointed in their stead

Resigned	Ward	Appointed
Lewis Hartman	4th	Aaron B Woodruff
Stephen Whitney	1st	David Johnson
Samuel Dayton.	7th	Thomas Lyon

The Ald. & Assist. of the 8th ward and Street Commr upon the petition for a well and Pump in Lawrence Street between Prince and Houston St reported Vizt The Alderman & Assistant of the Eighth ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed petition of Arnout Brown and others praying that a Well may be dug and a pump erected therein in Lawrence Street between Prince and Houston Streets

Report that in their opinion the request of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

[231] Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted and that the Street Commissioner have the Same carried into effect.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves St. Commr

Which was approved and the resolution adopted and the Street Commr reported an Ordinance agreably thereto which was passed.

The Ald. & Assist. of the 8th Ward upon the Petition for a Well and Pump in Grand near Wooster Street reported as follows.

The Alderman & Assistant of the Eighth ward & Street Commr to

whom was referred the petition of George Lovett & others praying that a Well & Pump may be placed in Grand near Wooster St.

Report that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that the Street Commissioner carry the Same into Effect.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves St. Comr

[232] which was approved and the resolution was adopted.

The Street Committee on the petition for paving Mercer Street from Prince to Bleecker Street Reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Augustus Reimer and others praying that Mercer Street may be regulated & paved from Prince to Bleecker Street Report, that in their opinion the request of the petitioners is reasonable and necessary and they recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that the Street Commissioner have the same carried into effect

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Henry J Wyckoff
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom were referred several petitions & Remonstrances on the subject of the pavement of Stanton [233] Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas G Hays and others praying that Stanton Street from Ridge to Pitt Street may be regulated and repaved so as to conform to the general regulation of the Street Report that they have carefully examined the premises and are of the Opinion that it is necessary such alteration Should be made in Order to give Sufficient descent to carry off the water— Your Committee have also had under consideration the remonstrance of Abraham Stagg and others against such alteration but for the foregoing reasons they do not think their request can be complied with and besides that they have regulated and paved the Street without knowledge of the Board its Committee or of the proper executive officers. Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the pavement of Stanton Street be taken up and the

Street regulated and repaved from Ridge to Pitt Street and that the Street Commissioner have the Same carried into Effect.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Henry J Wyckoff
David Marsh

[234] Which was approved and the resolution adopted and the Street Commissioner reported an Ordinance thereto which was passed.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed & Assessors appointed in each. Viz[t]

An Ordinance for a Well and Pump in Lawrence St. between Prince and Houston St[s] & Peter H Wendover Francis Peckwell & John Brower were appointed assessors.

Also for paving Lawrence St. from Spring to Livingstons line and Abraham Dally John Bedient and James Bleecker were appointed assessors

Also for a well and pump in Goerck Street between Delancy and Rivington Streets and John Targee Abraham Dally and John Bedient were appointed Assessors.

Also for a Well and Pump in Columbia Street between Broome & Delancy Streets and Abraham Dally John Brower & Isaac Kip were appointed assessors

Also for Regulating & Paving Mercer [235] Street from Prince to Bleecker Street & Benjamin Prince John Bedient and Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors.

Also for a Well and Pump in the Bowery between Prince St. & Bleecker St. and Francis Peckwell John Salisbury & Benjamin Prince were app[d] the Assessors.

Also for a Well and Pump near the intersection of Grand and Wooster Streets and John Salisbury Isaac Kip & James Bleecker were appointed Assessors

Also for repaving Stanton Street from Ridge to Pitt St. and Benjamin Prince, John Targee and Abraham Dally were appointed Assessors.

Resolved that the Comptroller under the direction of the Finance Committee be permitted to borrow from time to time such sums as the necessities of the City may require provided the Amount does not exceed twenty thousand dollars at an interest not exceeding 6 per cent per Annum.

Resolved that the Committee of Wharves. [236] Piers & Slips be directed to cause the Mud Machine now Building to be coppered previous to her being launched

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 30th inst	$117.60	
Received for Vendue Sales	2500.	
" Justices Courts	218.27	
" Excise	103.	
" Rents	12.50	
" Loan of Mechanics Bank	3.500.	6451.37

15 Accounts Audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st district	$1359.75	
Hibberd and Clark Do 2nd "	645.75	
Bleakly & Brower Do 3d "	624.75	
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder 1 Qr Salary 1 inst	375.	
O Edwards Counsr fees in 43 Suits against Butchers in Fulton market in Marine Court	215.	
Richard Smith Clk Washingn Markt 1. mo. 1 inst	57.12	
John Bremner Clk Catharine do " "	55.	
R Ayres 7st paymt fills bulkhead at Chamber & Duane St.	400.	
J Morgan & Son 2nd payt builds boat of mud mace	725.	
Hickson Wilson 1st payt builds Watch house corr of Wooster & Prince St	1000.	
George Charlton 1st payt on well in Orchard near Broome Street	45.12	
[237] J Gallagher 1st paymt well in Columbia near Delancy St	20.	
R Pettigrew 1st paymt well in Canal n Hudson St	17.94	
G. N. Bleecker completing tax books of 1820	350.	
Richard Riker Chairman Commee Board of Hth	400.	6290.43
	Balance	$160.94

Board adjourned.

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[239] In Common Council October 28th 1822.

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
James Hall	Samuel B Harper
Robert McQueen	Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann	Lewis Ford
Jacob B Taylor.	Shivers Parker
	Wm Thorn
	David Marsh
	David Seaman

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The resignation of Maltby Gelston as inspector ofor the 3d Ward

was read and Accepted and Abraham Stagg was appointed in his stead

The resignation of Job Furman as Inspector for 7th Ward was also received & accepted & Michael M Titus was appointed in his place.

[240] Mr Parker stated that some of the family of Mr Jonn T Coddington Inspr of the 2nd Ward being ill he would not be able to attend to its duties and he begged leave to resign it Whereupon his resolution was accepted & Abraham Cargill was appointed in his place

A Petition for a Well and Pump in Hudson near Desbrosses St. was referred to the Ald & Assist. of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Pet of Isaac Lawrence to be permitted to erect on his front stoop a small temporary building to keep out the cold as his house is much exposed and so constructed as not to admit of a door on the entry was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Thomas R Ludlum to be appointed a City Surveyor was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Corbier to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee of Applications

[241] A Petition of Nicholas Steel for Stall No 44 Washington market. lately held by Henry Owens was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Mary Owens. widow of Henry Ownes deceased lately holding Stall No 44 Washington market praying the Corporation will grant to her the priviledge of the Stall for One Year was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition from the Lessees of Cellars under Fulton market praying that a reduction may be made in their Rent. they have covenanted to pay in consequence of their loss of business during the prevalence of the late Epedemic was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Wm S Hart to rent the room over the Watch House erecting at the corner of Prince & Wooster Ste which they wish for the purposes of an Academy was referred to the Finance Committee

A petition of Dominick Lynch remonstrating [242] against the payment of the Quit Rent. upon 25 feet of ground under water on the West side of Walnut Slip which has been reserved by the Corporation for a Street was read & referred to the Finance Committee.

His Honor the Mayor presented the following communication on the subject of the Discipline Mill erected at the Penitentiary which was directed to be published in the paper employed by the Board

On the 18th day of February last the Mayor had the honour of presenting to the Board a report recommending the erection of a

Discipline Mill at the Penitentiary and he has now the pleasure to inform them that the necessary buildings & machinery was compleated on the 7th day of September last. and on the 23d of that month was put in full operation The idea of attaching this species of Labour to our penitentiary system was first suggested to the present superintendant of Our Alms House by Mr Isaac Collins and Mr Stephen Grellet two gentlemen [243] belonging to the Society of friends in this City who kindly furnished us with a report from the Society for the improvement of Prison discipline in England. containing Correct engravings of the buildings and machinery for the Mill with a description of its operations and advantages together with much other useful information on the Subject.

Possessed of these lights and the talents and Ingenuity of Mr Benjamin Crooker. under whose direction the mill work was constructed no time was lost in commencing the establishment and in its progress much less difficulty has been experienced than was anticipated.

The building is of Stone thirty feet by Sixty and two Stories high That part occupied by the Wheels on Which the Prisoners work is separated from the Mill by a Strong Stone Wall so that no communication is had with those who feed and tend the Mill and those who perform the labour on the wheels. The building was originally intended for three Wheels and three run of Stones but it is found by the experience already had that the place is not sufficiently ventilated to admit a greater number of Prisoners than can work on the two wheels now in operation

[244] Each wheel is calculated to give employment to 32 Prisoners sixteen on each wheel at once and a bell is so arranged as to Strike every ½ minute when one of the Prisoners on the wheel comes off and another goes on by which each man works Eight minutes and rests the same time The Average quantity of Grain ground per day is from 40 to 50 bushels which it is presumed may be increased to 60 or 70, should it be found on further experience that the prisoners can be made to perform a severer task without injury to their health. The Consumption of the Alms House Bridewell and Penitentiary is about fifty bushels of grain ground into meal per day. the grinding of which has cost the public from 16 to $2200 Annually averaging about $1900 per year It will not be doubted therefore that a Sufficiency of meal may be ground by additional exertion for the consumption of the whole establishment and that in a manner free from expense to the public.

The Cost of working the Convicts [245] out of the Prison including

tools, barrows, Carts, feed for the Cattle employed, extra weare & tear of Clothes, and pay to the Keepers has amounted to about $7.000 per annum This sum it is supposed by competent Judges would obtain through the medium of private contract the performance of twice the labour executed by the prisoners. If this be the fact it is certainly one of much importance for if it costs the public one hundred dollars to perform a certain quantity of labour which can be obtained by private contract for fifty there ought to be some evidence of public utility arising either from the punishment or reformation of the prisoners to induce a continuation of the operation: but nothing to justify even the belief of a reformation has as yet shewn itself, and the only reason which can be adduced in favour of a continuance of the system is the want of a proper employment for the prisoners.

There are always a numerous class of Prisoners in the Penitentiary & Bridewell consisting of female Prostitutes and vagrants for whom little or no employment could be provided but it has been found by late experience that the operation of women on the tread wheel [246] in proportion to their weight is equally usefull as that of the men, there is then this additional advantage arising from the erection of the Mill that this class of Prisoners will now be made to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow.

In carrying into effect our penitentiary System much difficulty has always been experienced in finding suitable employment for the Prisoners but it is hoped that the introduction of the Discipline mill will in a great measure supply the deficiency and that the effects of the labour performed will not only result to the advantage of the Public but the reformation and benefit of the Convicts; and in order that the result of this species of labour on those who have been in the performance of it may be ascertained a register has been commenced of the time each person works on the Mill to be referred to in case of a recommittal should any of them prove so incorrigible as again to be guilty of any offence that will bring them once more to the test. Should the advantages arising [247] from the experiment be equal to the expectations of the Common Council it is hoped that additional Mills will be erected at the Penitentiary and one at least at the Bridewell in order that the time now employed by the Prisoners in plotting mischief may be profitably disposed of. There is however one essential improvement in our Penitentiary System in addition to the Mill which appears to be absolutely necessary for the introduction of a proper discipline in our prisons and that is the provision of a sufficient number of Cells for solitary confinement and as retiring places for the

Prisoners after the labour of the day has been performed by which means they will have an opportunity for reflection free from the baneful influence resulting from the present method of confining 15 or 20 of them in a single room This subject however will no doubt receive the attention it may appear to merit after the Board shall have individually examined the operation of the Mill and the condition of the Prisons and their inmates

The appropriation authorised for erecting the mill house and Machinery was $3000, the actual cost, of the establishment however was $3050.09 exceeding the sum appropriated fifty dollars and Nine cents The prompt manner in which the Common [248] Council have made the appropriation for carrying into effect this necessary establishment and the attention paid to the construction of it by the Superintendant and Commissioners of the Alms House cannot but meet with the approbation of their fellow Citizens particularly Should *should* the public good result that has been so reasonably anticipated

The prevalence of the Calamity with which our City has been afflicted for the last three months has prevented the presentation of this Report until this time and an earlier invitation to the Common Council to inspect the operations of the Mill and the condition of the Bellevue establishment and it is now respectfully recommended that the Board will designate a day for that purpose

Signed by The Mayor

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition for the enlargement of the Spring Street market. presented the following report.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of the [249] inhabitants in the vicinity of Spring Street market representing that said market house is too small to accomodate the persons resorting thereto beg leave to

Report. that they have examined said market house and find the whole occupied by Butchers and Hucksters to the entire exclusion of the Country People the expense of building an addition thereto being very small as nearly all the materials are now in the public yard from the Old Fly market your Committee would recommend that an addition of Fifty feet be built from the present market towards Washington Street by the Superintendant of Repairs under the direction of the Market Committee the cost of which will not exceed Two hundred dollars by Mr Roomes estimate

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs build an addition of fifty feet to the Spring Street market house extending it to within six

feet of Washington Street under the direction of the Market Committee

Signed Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
David Seaman

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[250] The Same Committee to whom was referred with powers the petition of the Lessees of the Cellars under Fulton market praying that the Floors of said market may be sheathed & caulked or otherwise made tight reported that they had obtained an Estimate of the expence but the same being higher than they had expected they had declined acting without the direction of the Board they presented an estimate which was to Sheathe pay & caulk the floor for $2500 if recaulked to add $500 Whereupon the Same was laid for consideration & the Street Commr was directed to advertise for proposals to perform the work.

The Same Committee presented the following report & resolutions on the subject of Fulton market which was approved and the resolutions adopted

The Market Committee beg leave to State that in pursuance of a resolution of this Board Forty three of the Butchers of Fulton market have paid up their rent to the first inst and have surrendered to the Comptroller [251] their leases. Five have paid up their rent but have not surrendered their leases and thirty seven have neither paid their rent nor surrendered their Leases of this last number it is believed that most are unable to pay some of them have offered to surrender their Leases but the Comptroller was not authorised to receive them except on payment of rent.

Your Committee would suggest the propriety of the Comptrollers receiving a Surrender of said leases without payment of rent Provided it does not prejudice our claim and that the Counsel of this Board take legal measures to get possession of such stands as are not surrendered to the Comptroller where the rent remains unpaid.

As a new disposition of the Butchers stands in Fulton Market must take place your Committee would submit to the Board the propriety of lessening the number and that the east wing of said market be appropriated for the use of the Sellers of Fish and such other part of said market as may not be occupied by licensed Butchers be appropriated to country people for the sale of meat the production of their own farms. [252] or by them brought to market for sale. Your Committee offer the following resolutions

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to receive a surrender of the Butchers leases in the Fulton market without payment of rent provided it will not prejudice our claim on them

Resolved that the Counsel of this board take legal measures to get possession of such Butchers Stands in the Fulton market as are not surrendered to the Comptroller where the rent remains unpaid.

Resolved that the Market Committee dispose of such number of Butchers stands in the Fulton market to licensed Butchers by auction or otherwise until the first of may next as they may deem proper not however to exceed Sixty

Respectfully Submitted
(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
David Seaman

And it was resolved that all surrenders of Stalls of said market be made & received under the direction of the Counsel of the Board

[253] Mr Parker presented the draft of a law to repeal a part of the Law regulating Fulton market which was read and referred to the Market Committee.

Resolved that the Comptroller under the direction of the Finance Committee be authorised to borrow the sum of $30000 at an interest not exceeding 6 per Cent per annm

Ald Mann presented the following resolutions which were adopted

Resolved that the resolution authorising an Extra night watch in the 1st watch District passed 5th of August last be rescinded.

Resolved that the resolution for adding $$^{25}/_{100}$$ Extra pay to each night watchman in the 1st Watch District for each night passed the 16th of September be rescinded

Resolved that the Board will visit the Bellevue Establishment on Saturday next at 10 o clock

The Comptroller reported as follows

Balance in the treasury 14th instant	$164.94
Received for Streets	700.
[254]" for tax 1821 9th ward	394.75
" Justices Courts	144.66
" Mayoralty fees	90.
" Wells and Pumps	87.93
Loan of Mechanics bank authd 14 Jany	18500.
Loan of Do on act 28th "	17000.
	37078.28

37 Accounts Audited

Leek and Walton Watch 1st District	1359.75	
Hibberd and Clark Do 2nd "	645.75	
Bleakly & Brower Do 3d "	624.75	
H Wilson 2nd payt builg Watch house Prince & Wooster Sts.	750.	
Geo. B Smith Assist St Comr 1 Qr Salary 15 inst	250.	
Samuel Hutchings Street Inspr 1 mo. 1st Nov	54.25	
Jonathan Pinckney Do " " "	54.25	
Ab. Ackerman " " " "	54.25	
Wm J Waldron Asst City Inspector "	47.25	
Obadiah Ayres Do " "	47.25	
Astin & Cochrane Messengers	54.	
W J Waldron Asst City Inspector remov Nuisa	36.28	
John Bremner Clk of Cathe Market 1 mo	58.	
George DurYee Clk of Franklin Do "	38.75	
George Mills Asst Board of Health	47.25	
Benjamin Hicks Do "	47.25	
Van Pelt & Spear Printing 1 Qr 1 Nov	117.25	
G Snethen Supt lights lamps 1 mo 1 nov	714.51	
Daniel Biggs " work at Lamps 1 Qr 1 nov	41.63	
[255] Robert Provoost repairs Lamps 1 mo 1 nov	38.81	
H Smith Acct regs & repas Fly market St fr Pearl to South St	200.	
T Cumming Act. Do Do Old Slip fr Water S. to Bulkhead	140.	
J Megan Act Do Do Elm St. fr Broome to Spring	100.	
Haviland Weeks Acct inspr pavement of Sts	29.60	
James Pinkerton repairs of Intersections	17.99	
R Pettigrew 1st payt for well Goerck St from Delancy to Rivington	128.	
J Gallagher bal. Well. Beach fr Hudson to Collister	26.04	
J. Morgan & Son 3d Paymt builg boat new mud machine	725.	
H Hendricks Copper for New mud machine	676.75	
J Becker & B Brower 1st payt for reef at Battery	800.	
R Graves St Comr balance for working roads	594.34	
J. P. Roome Supt Repairs for Fire Departmt	500.	
J P Roome Do " for Repairs	500.	
J P Roome Do mason work at Washington mart	818.	
Treasr of institutn for Deaf & Dumb Annual Donatn due 13 oct	400.	
J Fleming treasr to pay Dividend City Stock 1 Qr 1 novr	18.500.	36.736.95
Balance		$341.33

Board adjourned to this day fortnight to meet at 3 o clock P. M.

[256] Special Meeting In Common Council Nov^{r} 2nd 1822.

Present The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown.
Robert McQueen	Wm Thorn
Asa Mann	David Seaman
Jacob B Taylor	
Henry Mead	

The Mayor informed the Board that he had called this meeting in consequence having received resignations from some of the Inspectors of the ensuing Election

A Letter from David Johnson Inspector of Election for 1st ward resigning his appointment was recd and accepted and Edmund Smith was appointed in his place

[257] A letter from Abraham Stagg was also received resigning his appointment of Inspector of the 3^{d} ward which was accepted and Anthony S Underhill was appointed in his place

A Resignation was also received from Jeremiah Lounsbery as Inspector of 10th ward which being read it was resolved that it is inexpedient to accept said resignation

adjourned.

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[259] Special meeting In Common Council Nov^{r} 4th 1822.

The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President

Richard Riker Esq^{r} Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	John D Brown
James Hall	Shivers Parker
Robert McQueen	Wm Thorn
Asa Mann	David Marsh
Jacob B Taylor	

The [Mayor] informed the Board he had summoned this meeting in consequence of having received resignations from some of the inspectors of the Election.

A Resignation from Thomas Lyon inspector of 7th ward was stated to be made in consequence of indisposition whereupon the Same was accepted and John Bremner was appointed in his place

It was stated that Mr Edward Smith Inspr [260] of the 1st ward had requested to be excused from serving as Inspector & to resign his appointment as some of the Citizens had held him up as a Candidate for the office of Alderman of said ward Whereupon it was resolved that it was inexpedient to excuse Mr Smith from Serving & to accept his resignation

adjourned.

[261] In Common Council Novr 11th 1822

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Wm H Ireland
James Fairlie	Lewis Ford
James Hall	Wm Thorn
Wm Paulding Junr	David Marsh
Robert McQueen	Nathaniel Reynolds
Asa Mann	David Seaman
Jacob B Taylor	
Henry Mead	

The minutes of the last regular meeting and the two Special meetings were read & approved.

A Petition of James Wilkie for permission to remove a frame building in Cherry Street near Gouverneur Street to the opposite side of Cherry Street was read & referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 7th ward with authority to grant the request.

[262] A Petition that the Pavement in Grand Street from Green to Sullivan St. may be completed was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition for a well and Pump in Grand St. near Green St. was referred to the Alderm & Assistant of the 8th ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition from the Butchers of Franklin Market praying for a remission of a part of the rent due from them in consequence of their loss of business occasioned by the late Epidemic was referred to the Finance Committee.

An application on behalf of David Crone for a remission of personal tax assessed on him & a certificate of the Assessors of the 8th ward that in their opinion the tax ought not to be collected was referred to the Commee of Assessments.

A petition of John Stuyvesant for appointment *of* as Street Inspector [263] with a request from a number of Citizens that means be taken to remove the filth from the Streets and that Petitioner may be appointed to carry the Same into effect was read and referred to the Commᵉᵉ on Applications.

A Petition of George West to rent the Fire Engine House in Old Slip was refᵈ to the Finance Committee.

A petition of Benjamin Knapp for relief from a judgement recovered against him on a Complaint for Loading a vessel with Stone at Gouverneurs wharf near the Hay Scales, established there was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Further Petition of Edward Morris to be put in possession of a lot of ground purchased by him from the Corporation on the 19ᵗʰ of August last. a part of the Same being in the occupation of John Jones & claimed by him as his property which being read was referred to the Finance Committee.

[264] A petition of James Morgan & Son requesting that the last payment for building the Mud Machine may be advanced to them immediately instead of 60 days after its completion as mentioned in their Contract.

Which being read was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Thomas McCready Lessee of Stall Nº 29 Fulton market praying an extension of six months of the time for payment of the rent due from him was referred to the Market Committee.

A Pet of Benjamin Owens. Lessee of Cellar Nº 14 under Washington market praying in consequence of his loss of business by the late Epidemic that a quarters rent may be deducted from the rents now due which was read Was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Pet. of Gerard Goodheart for license as a Butcher and for stall [265] Nº 55 Washington market. was referred to the Market Committee.

A Pet of Jonathan C Wildt for license as a Butcher & to be permitted to rent a Stall in Fulton market. was referred to the Market Committee.

The Following persons were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Engine Company
Nº 14

James Cook, Turner, 29 Chatham St. vice George Brooks. Resigned

N° 18.

Oliver Hull. Druggist 252 Pearl St. vice Hugh Laing Resigned

John B Wright, Clerk 23 Rose St. vice W^m^ Cromwell Removed from City

N° 24.

John C Hegeman Beekman St. Atty at Law vice John Earl, resigned

N° 32.

W^m^ Lee. Brass founder 55 Chrystie St. vice Jonathan D Stevenson Res^d^

The Comptroller reported that he had [266] received from the treasurer an acct. of Cash received into the treasury and paid out by warrants from 1^st^ of May last to 1^st^ inst. also the account of the Comm^rs^ of Sinking fund for the like period both accounts were correct and ordered to be filed

He als[o] reported that there had been paid into the treasury for commutat^n^ of Alien Passengers. for the quarter ending 31^st^ of October last $335 which was ordered to be filed.

The Street Comm^r^ presented an Assessment for a Well and Pump in Orchard St. near Broome St which was confirmed and Morris De Camp was appointed Collector.

He also presented an Assessment for paving Wooster St from Spring to Houston St which was confirmed and John G Betts was appointed Collector

Also for a Well & Pump in Mercer St, near Houston St. which was confirmed and Noah Jarvis app^d^ Collector

[267] Also for a Well and Pump in Columbia St. near Delancy St. which was confirmed & Morris De Camp app^d^ Collector

Also for paving Courtlandt alley from franklin to White St. & N. Jarvis app^d^ Collector

He also presented a return of Delinquents upon the Assessments for building the Sewers in Cedar St. & Thames whereupon Warrants were ordered to issue to the Collectors for collecting the same.

He also on the Petition of Thomas R Ludlum to be appointed a city Surveyor. reported Viz^t^ The St. Comm^r^ to whom was referred the petition of Thomas R Ludlam to be appointed a City Surveyor respectfully

Reports. that the Petitioner is known to him as possessing the necessary qualifications for a Surveyor having been educated to that profession from his childhood by his late Father and has since

practised with his brother by which he has acquired much practical information his moral character is unexceptionable. The undersigned would therefore recommend that his request. [268] be granted him

All which is respectfully submitted

R Graves St. Com^{r}

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly.

He also presented An Ordinance for a Well and Pump in Grand between Thompson and Sullivan Stts which was passed and Benj^{a} Prince John Targee & John Bedient were appointed assessors.

The Counsel presented the following leases for execution for property sold for assessments the time for which Certificates were given having expired

Whereupon said leases were directed to be duly executed.

The Counsel herewith respectfully submits for execution the following leases of property sold for non payment of Assessments the term for which certificates were given had expired.

A Lease to the President Directors and Company of the bank of New York [269] of all those certain lots of ground situated on the North Side of Fourth Street at the corner of Broadway. extending two hundred and Seventy Seven feet in length along Fourth St. and Which were assessed as belonging to Bell Kinnie Sold for Fifty years from the Twenty Sixth of September 1822.

Also a lease to the President & Directors and Company of the Bank of New York of all those certain lots of ground situated on the South side of Fourth St. at the Corner of Broadway extending two hundred and sixty seven feet eight inches, along Fourth St. and which were assessed as aforesaid as belonging to B. M. Kinnie Sold for twenty years from the 26th September 1822.

Also a lease to W^{m} J Waldron of all that certain piece of ground Situated on the Southerly Side of Duane St. between church and Chapple Streets and was so assessed as belonging to Phoebe Lent. sold for two Years from 26th September 1822.

Also a lease to Dominick Lynch of all that certain piece or parcel of land [270] situate lying and being in the sixth ward of the City of New York on the Westerly Side of Rynder St. and bounded North westerly by land now or lately of Dominick Lynch Easterly by Rynder Street, and South Easterly, partly by land *by land* belonging to Robert Morris. and partly by land now or lately belonging to Andrew Ogden these premises were assessed as belonging to the heirs of Bayard sold for Seventy five years from the first of March 1822.

Also a lease to W^m^ Vanhook and George L Storee Executors of David Berdan Assignee of Isaac Ammerman of all that certain house and lot of Ground fronting on Harman St. and extending along the said Street twenty nine feet seven inches and which was assessed as belonging to Aaron Henry and as occupied by Alexander Bleecker Sold for nine Years from the 26^th^ of Septem^r^ 1822

(Signed) Ogden Edwards

[271] The City Inspector presented the following report respecting a sunken lot corner of Stanton and Pitt St.

The City Inspector respectfully reports an Ordinance to fill in some sunken lots at the corner of Stanton and Pitt Streets owned by M^r^ Charles Watts now in England—it is said that Mr Jones is his agent. the intention is to post a copy of the Ordinance on the premises in order to legalise the filling in the said lots at the public charge, provided the Street Committee, to whom it is referable should, at the expiration of the time it will expire, the 23^d^ Instant, deem it advisable

Signed George Cumming
City Inspector.

Whereupon the ord. proposed was passed

He also presented Ordinances for the correction of sundry nuisances. which were passed Viz^t^

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting nuisances Viz^t^

N° 1	Cha^s^ Watts.	owner	Stanton & Pitt St		A Lot.
2	Peter A Jay	D°	Ridge & Stanton Sts		D°
3	[272] M Livingston	D°	D°		D°
4	J M^c^Vickar	Agent	Stanton & Eldridge St		D°
5	David Dunham	owner	Herring & Downing		D°
6	D° D°	D°	Carmine & Bedford		D°
7	Caspar W Eddy	D°	Allen St.		D°
8	Lemuel Wells	D°	Hudson St		D°
9	A L Stewart	D°	D°	"	D°
10	W^m^ Paulding Jun^r^	D°	D°	"	D°
11	Asher Marx	D°	Mercer St		D°
12	J McGowan	Occup^t^	48½	Duane St	Privy
13	J^s^ Stephenson	D°	48	D°	D°
14	P Higgins	D°	43	Augustus St	D°
15	J Wood	D°	Mulberry & Bayard		D°
16	J Clearman	D°	78	Crosby St	D°

George Cumming
City Inspector.

The Market Committee presented the following communication

respecting the Stands & Cellars under the Eaves of the Fulton market which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Market Committee beg leave to represent to the board that the Stand and Cellars under the eaves of the Fulton Market were leased or permitted out to women sellers of vegetables and fruit to pay an annual rent of from forty to Sixty dollars in [273] quarterly payments much difficulty has occurred in the collection of the rent a great part of which has not been received and from the peculiar situation of those tenants it is not probable it ever will be, most of the Stands have become forfeited.

Your Committee would suggest the propriety of changing the mode of disposing of the above stands. and cellars to that of putting a per diem rent on them to be paid in advance to be collected by the Clerk of said market

They respectfully submit the following resolution

Resolved that the market committee be authorised to fix a per diem rent on all the stands and cellars under the eaves of the Fulton market facing the inner court or square and that it shall be the duty of the Deputy clerk of the aforesaid market to collect dayly in advance such rent.

(Signed) Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
Thomas Bolton

The Same Committee presented a law [*273] entitled "A Law to repeal a part of the Law to regulate Fulton market & for other purposes passed 13th Decr 1821. Which was read & passed.

The Same Committee presented the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that when any Butchers stands shall become vacant by the death of the Lessee or otherwise that the Market Committee may dispose of said Stand at auction for the highest sum of money, any Butcher will give over and above an annual rent to be fixed there on Provided nothing herein contained shall effect any lease until its expiration should the Holder punctually pay the rent & in all things conform to the Laws & Regulations of the Corporation.

The Same Reported the Estimates which had been received for sheathing & Caulking the floor of Fulton Market, which was referred back to them and the Committee were directed [274] for the present

* Clerk's error in numbering.—ED.

to cause such repairs to be made to the market as they may deem necessary.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Board give information to the Commrs of Estimate & Assessment. appointed respecting extending & widening of Beekman St. of the decision of the Supreme Court. on the application of this Board on that Subject as communicated by the Counsel on the 19th day of August last.

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to borrow under the direction of the Finance Commee thirty thousand dollars at an interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum.

The following Resolution was presented by Alderman Fairlie

Resolved that it be referred to a committee to make such arrangements of the grounds of the park and its vicinity in relation to the grass & the setting out of trees as they shall consider to be useful & ornamental

Whereupon the Same was referred to the Committee on Public lands & places with [275] authority to carry the Same into effect,

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 28th octr	$.341.33	
Received for rents	1860.	
" Streets	400.	
" City Prison fees	258.50	
" Arrears of taxes	250.	
" Justices Courts	224.49	
" Mayoralty fees	110.	
" Excise	67.	
	3631.32	
Loan of Mechanics Bank bal authd 28 oct	13000.	16.631.32

43 Accounts audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	$813.75
Hibberd & Clark " 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	624.75
A Burtis Supt Alms House 1 Qr Salary 1 inst	537.50
Wm Hooghland Kr Peny & 3 assistants	537.50
G Sickles keeper of City Prison and two Depy	450.
J Morton Clerk of Com Council	300.
Richard L Walker physician City Prison	75.
John Burger regulating 4 pub. Clocks	50.
Dan'l H Magee keepr of Pottersfield 1 mo	38.75
Chas Gilman " Battery "	34.88
Andrew McCready Park	34.87
Jacob B Taylor Chn Comee 4th of July balc music &c	250.
Richard Smith Clerk of Washington Market 1 month 1. inst.	60.

[276] Isaac Asten Sweeper of Fulton market.....		$54.09	
J Hammond Justice 1st, 2d, 3d, ward courts 1 Qr "		400.	
E Morrill Do 4 & 6 " " " "		400.	
M Cunningham 5 " 8th " " "		400.	
H Scovell do 7 " 10 " " "		400.	
J. L. Pell. Clk 1, 2, 3 " "		187.50	
Geo Betts " 4 " 6 " "		187.50	
Ebeneezer Burling 5 " 8 " "		187.50	
Wm H. Smith 7 " 10 " "		187.50	
Samuel Titus room for Court 7th. 10th wards "		31.25	
Harmanus Tallman Cor fees " "		360.37	
M M Noah Sheriff to pay officers attending courts.....		915.	
S Montgomery and others serving Subpoenas 1 Qr 1 inst..		140.75	
M. M. Noah & Deputies conveyg prisrs to Penitentiary.....		14.	
B Crane Stationary Six months.....		163.	
Thomas Bunker 16 Casks of oil.....		935.36	
G Snethen to pay lamp lighters infected Distt.....		80.73	
Chas Mooney repairing intersections.....		37.90	
James Vincent Do "		13.75	
J Vincent filling at King & West. Sts Corpn propy.....		123.	
A H Mooney Acct regulating Fulton.....		750.	
A H Mooney Do Do Water fr fulton to Crane..		250.	
H Smith do d Fly Market St.....		150.	
J Mehan Act. regr & pavr Elm from Broome to Spring st.		100.	
John Sloan bal. Do " Bleecker from Wooster to Lawrence St.....		55.58	
Geo Charlton bal Well in Mercer St.....		59.84	
J. morgan extra materials for mud machine.....		73.94	
[277] Arthur Burtis Superintendant, A, H.....		5000.00	16261.31
	Balance.....		$370.01

adjourned.

[278] In Common Council Novr 25th 1822.

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Samuel B Harper
Elam Williams	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Lewis Ford
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Henry Mead	Nathaniel Reynolds
	David Seaman

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved

A Pet. for a lamp to be placed in Duane St. between Cross and Augustus Streets was read and referred to the Lamp Committee.

A petition of Simon Seward for Stall N° 12 Fulton market at present occupied by Andrew Fisher with a request of A Fisher [279] that the same may be transferred was referred to the Market Comm^ee

A Petition of John Suckly to be relieved from an excess of tax imposed on him in 3^d ward was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A pet of Jane Simpson occupying a Hucksters Stand in Washington market complaining of the fees paid by the Hucksters of the Said market for their Stands as excessive and praying relief was referred to the market Committee.

A Petition of Elizabeth Bunker praying that a Hucksters Stand may be assigned to her, in the Franklin market was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Rebecca M^cHinch praying that she may be exempted from the payment of a personal tax of $3 $^{85}/_{100}$ assessed on her she being poor and having four children to maintain [280] was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition from W^m Miles & others owners of Lots in 5^th Ward stating that in constructing Sinks on their Lots they unintentionally encroached upon the Street & praying relief which was read and referred to the Street Commissioner

A Pet. of Morris De Camp & Noah Jarvis Collectors of Corporation Assessments stating that for their trouble in collecting interest due on Assessments they have never received any compensation & praying some relief was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Edward Fitzgerald Lessee, of N° 50 Fulton Market and also a petition from sundry lessees of stalls in said market stating that they have been prosecuted for the rent due *or* [on] said Stalls and are now in prison therefore that they are unable to pay the same and praying relief was read and referred to the Market Committee with powers.

A Petition of Higgins & Meserole contractors [281] of Street Manure praying a deduction from the amount of contract engaged to be paid by them stating losses occasioned by the prevalence of the late Epidemic was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A petition of Thomas Gender and others Fruiterers praying that their awning Poles may be permitted to stand throughout the winter for the protection of their fruits was referred to the Street Commissioner

A Petition of Isaac Carrow that a mistake which has occurred in making out the Assessors books of taxes of the third Ward in rela-

tion to his tax may be corrected & he relieved was referred to the Committee of Assessments with authority.

A Petition from the tenants of Fulton Market. praying on account of their having been obliged to abandon the premises during the prevalence of the late epidemic that a deduction may [282] be made from their rent, was read and laid on the table until the Reports from the Finance Committee on the Same subject were read.

A Petition of Joseph C Cooper to be appointed a City Guager was read and referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition of David Dunham respecting a vault he had constructed in the Street in the 7th ward was read and referred to the Alderm and Assistant of that ward & Street Commissioner

A Petition of Murtaugh Gilmore for further time for paying a tax on him for $21.76 was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Christopher Rush a licensed Preacher of the African Church praying to be relieved from the payment of a tax assessed on his property in Howard & Mercer St. it being under the value of fifteen hundred dollars Which being read was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

[283] A Petition of James Anderson for permission to construct a vault in Broadway between Cedar & Pine Street was referred to the Ald & Assistant of the 1st ward and Street Commr

A Petition of Frederick Bremler (a native of Saxony) praying the aid of the Corporation to enable him to construct some useful articles of machinery was read and referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences.

A Pet of J Elmendorf for lease of room over Watch house corner of Prince and Wooster Street for purposes of a School was referred to the Finance Committee.

A petition for paving part of Ridge St. adjoining to & North of Stanton St was read and referred to the Street Commee

A petition of Jesse Crosby praying to be licensed as a Cartman was read and referred to his Honor the Mayor.

[284] His Honor the Mayor stated that in the discharge of his various official duties a number of circumstances had presented themselves to him as necessary to be acted upon by the Common Council as well in relation to the Health of the City as to other municipal Concerns he had therefore Committed to writing some of the most important of them which he begged leave to submit to the consideration of the board

The following communication was then read and directed to be published for the use of the Members of the Board and was referred to the following Committee Viz[t]

Aldermen Mead Wyckoff Mr Recorder Thorn Ireland.

It has been the opinion of several members of the board of Health, founded on the experience they have acquired during the late calamitous season, that the Present Health law may be so amended, and that such internal regulations may be adopted by the Common Council as to produce a reasonable hope that the occurrence of malignant disease may hereafter [*286] be arrested.

Although there is a great diversity of opinion among medical men on the subject of the origin of the Yellow fever, it is nevertheless pretty generally agreed that our quarantine regulations ought to be strictly enforced, and if they are too lax in their provisions that they ought to be strengthened; but at the same time, that the most scrupulous attention should be given to the prompt removal of every vestige of nuisance calculated to injure the atmosphere of the city. Both these objects are highly important, and are worthy the most serious consideration of the Common Council to whom the best interests of this City are committed by their constituents.

The amendment proposed to the Health law and the measures which it has been thought expedient to recommend at this time are therefore respectfully submitted as follows.

1[st] Whether the Board of health ought not in the event of the prevalence of malignant disease to appoint [287] additional medical assistants, with equal powers in some respects as those now granted the Resident Physician; and whether the Health Commissioner ought not to assist the Resident Physician in his professional duties and also, whether both these officers ought not to be subject to such instructions from the board of Health as they may deem necessary and indispensable.

2[nd] Whether the person entrusted with the Inspection of vessels which have performed Quarantine ought not to be selected and appointed by the Board of Health and subject to their orders and control instead of being appointed and controlled by the Health Commissioners.

3[d] Whether Vessels coming from certain places mentioned in the third section of the present law, and which are bound to perform a quarantine of four days ought not to discharge their cargoes at some place out of the City and have it properly ventilated before it

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shall be permitted to be stored at any place within the city south of a line to be designated

4th Whether vessels coming from certain places designated by the 4th section of the [288] present law and which are bound to perform a q[u]arantine of two days ought not to be prohibited from coming nearer then wharves of the city than 300 yeards, until their cargoes shall be discharged and the hold of such vessel, together with her ballast, properly cleansed under the inspection of a person appointed for that purpose; And when the inspector Shall report a vessel to be duly cleansed and purified whether it would not be proper that some member of the board of Health should be connected with the Commissioners in deciding to what Wharf of the City such vessel shall lay.

5th Whether it is not both expedient and necessary in order that the health of the city may be preserved that all vessels arriving from sickly ports between May and October, should *should* be compelled to land their cargoes at the quarantine establishment and that such cargoes should be excluded the city until every article [289] shall be properly ventilated and cleansed for at least 20 days after being landed: and also whether the above description of vessels ought not to be prohibited from coming nearer the city between May and October than 300 yards of the Wharves.

6th Whether it would not be proper that the Board of Health should be authord to commence suits in their own name for any violation of the provisions of the Health law. and particularly against Physicians should there be such, who refuse to report the patients they may have labouring under malignant or yellow fever; instead of the provision as it now stands which makes it the duty of the Commrs to prosecute.

7th Whether all the restrictions of the present law are absolutely necessary, and whether some of them may not be removed without endangering the public health particularly the prohibition to the introduction of sound cotton from a healthy Port. These are the principal amendments to the Act to provide against infectious and pestilential diseases which have [290] been suggested by the experience of last year. They are of great interest to the Community and ought not to be adopted without due reflection and Calmn Consideration.

There are several other matters connected with the preservation of Health which have an equal claim on the attention of the Board with the foregoing.

Much inconvenience has been experienced for the want of a commodious and proper place to which the sick who are afflicted with

malignant disease may be conveyed. Instances have occurred where no persuasion could induce a person labouring under disease to consent to a removal to the marine Hospital; and the unavoidable delay at times occassioned by the State of the winds and tides has been attended with serious consequences to the sick

A Public Hospital for Fever patients at a convenient distance from the City would be a very important [291] acquisition, and would tend to prevent the spread of disease as well as to do away many of the objections now made against a removal to Staten Island There would then be no reluctance, even on the part of those whose circumstances permitted them to provide medical aid and attendance and other conveniences to remove to a healthy situation that would afford them pure air good nurses and the best of medical advice and attendance.

Several situations may be selected on the public property in the vicinity of the Alms House which are every way suitable for such an establishment and there would besides be no want of the principal material as an extensive quarry of building stone that may be prepared by the Prisoners in the Penitentiary at a small expense to the Public lies in the Neighbourhood. A measure of so much importance to the health of this city it is presumed would also be interesting to the State, and must induce the Legislature to lend their aid towards its accomplishment provided suitable [292] representations are made to them on the subject.

The nuisances arising from foul sinks and privies have been much complained of. That, they are more or less the cause of injuring the atmosphere of the city cannot be doubted and although the evil is of a nature that cannot be dispensed with it is nevertheless presumed that it may in a measure be lessened.

Much of the evil arises from improper construction and may be remedied by prohibiting the building of sinks except of a certain depth and dimension and of materials to be designated, for which purpose none should be built except permission was first, obtained by application as in the case of building vaults and Cisterns.

Another source of Complaint is the filthiness of our streets. This may in a measure be remedied if the Streets were swept by the inhabitants every day in the week (except Sunday) [293] instead of twice a week as at present; and if the contractors were bound under heavy penalties to remove every species of Rubbish on the day of Sweeping. The evil Complained of however would exist but in a small degree if the citizens instead of Censuring the public Authorities,

would lodge informations with the Law officers of the Corporation against every infraction of the City Ordinances they may discover.

It appears to be the opinion of Medical Men that the great number of the dead interred in the several cemeteries within the bounds of this City, is attended with injurious consequences to the health of the inhabitants. This subject is therefore worthy of consideration and if the effects are in reality such as some of the faculty declare them to be, ought not future interments to be prohibited at least during a part of the year.

If the amendments suggested to the Health law be deemed expedient, would it not be a desirable object to the public that Some convenient place may be provided by the Corporation on the Brooklyn Shore for the unlading [294] and Storing of the cargoes of vessels from the West indies during the Summer months. It is believed that the right of the Upland between Brooklyn and the Wallabout, where no water grant has as yet been isued by the Common *Common* Council may be had at a reasonable price.

A very important object connected with the health of this City is a sufficient Supply of good water

On this subject all has been done by the Committee that it was practicable for them to perform considering the magnitude of the undertaking. They have made arrangements with Mr White a Civil Engineer of repute to examine the several sources from whence a Suply is likely to be obtained, and to furnish them with correct surveys and Profiles of the heights and distances and they are daily expecting him to commence the undertaking.

The several objects cannot be [*294] effected without Suitable funds and they are of such immense importance to the well being and prosperity of this City and such losses have been sustained by the calamities which have so frequently visited us, that it is presumed, to prevent occurrences so distressing in their effects the Citizens generally would cheerfully acquiesce in the payment of an annual tax of moderate amount for the purpose.

It is respectfully recommended to the Board, therefore, that the foregoing suggestions be referred to a special Committee, in order that they may be duly considered and that such committee may be instructed to report their opinion thereon to the Board.

signed by The Mayor.

The following return received from the Clerk of City & County of officers elected at the late charter election was directed to be filed & the Clerk to give notice to the persons elected to appear at Common

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Council Chamber on the last monday in December next to take the oath prescribed by the Charter & Law.

[296] Charter Election.

By the Returns filed in my office it appears that at the late Charter Election of Charter officers for this City the persons herein after named were Elected to the offices set opposite to their respective names

New York Nov^{r} 16th 1822

Signed John L Broome
Clk of the City and County of New York.

Henry J Wyckoff	Alderman	First Ward
Thomas Bolton	Assistant	
John H Baily, Benjamin Smith	Assessors	
Daniel J Ebbetts	Collector	
Robert Graham, John J Delamater	Constables	
Elisha W King	Aldermen	Second Ward
Samuel St John	Assistant	
William W Fox, Jacob Drake	Assessors	
Henry W Peckwell	Collector.	
John Wintringham, Richard Ellis	Constables.	
[297] James Fairlie	Alderman	Third Ward
William H Ireland	Assistant	
Nathaniel C Griffith, Isaac Graham	Assessors.	
Abraham King	Collector	
Henry Graham, Simon Van Antwerp	Constables	
James Hall	Alderman	Fourth Ward.
Samuel Cowdry	Assistant	
Peter Bonnett, Lewis Hartman	Assessors.	
William Benjamin,	Collector.	
Frederick Seely, James G Finn	Constables.	
George Zabriskie	Alderman	Fifth Ward.
John Webb	Assistant	
Leonard Warner, William Burstell	Assessors.	
William Berrian	Collector	
John Striker, John M Lester	Constables.	

Robert McQueen	Alderman	Sixth Ward.
Shivers Parker	Assistant	
Pierson Halstead, Henry Ackerman	Assessors.	
[298] Thomas Mooney	Collector	
Thomas Parker, Caleb Crane	Constables	
Asa Mann	Alderman	7th Ward
Wm Thorn	Assistant.	
Jameson Cox, James M. Tuthill	Assessors.	
Morris Oakley	Collector	
Robert Phillips, Azel Concklin	Constables.	
Jacob B Taylor	Alderman	Eighth Ward.
David Marsh	Assistant	
Gilbert Coutant, Henry Howard	Assessors.	
Samuel Y Clark	Collector	
Cornelius Stagg, David C Hick	Constables	
Jacobus Dyckman	Alderman	Ninth Ward
George S Doughty	Assistant	
John Adriance, Drake Fowler	Assessors	
Benjamin P Benson	Collector	
Joseph Madden, Stephen Huestis	Constables.	
Henry Mead	Alderman	Tenth ward
George Downing	Assistant	
Gideon Ostrander, Samuel Purdy	Assessors.	
John Palmer	Collector	
William F Stevenson, Nehemiah Ludlum	Constables	

[299] The following were appointed fireman & F Wardens the Chief Engineer Certifying the Vacancies.

Fire Wardens 2nd Ward

Eliakim Raymond Merchant 43 John Street vice Robert C Cornell time out.

7th Ward

Simeon Price, Smith 123 Henry St vice Nathl Ward Dead.

Fire Engine Company

N° 2.

James Stanly Blacksmith 25 Forsyth St. vice Jeremiah Sprouls. time Expired

N° 4.

James L Wallace Carpenter 50 Ann St. vice George Colgate resigned & Joined N° 14.

N° 23.

Jacob Marcellus Carpenter Benson St. vice Jacob Benson joined N° 27.

John Carrick Smith 39 Cross St. vice Robert McGill Time Expired

N° 26

Andrew Keating Brassfounder 12 Essex St. vice Ephraim Force joined N° 25.

N° 30

Isaac Downing Rope maker Eldridge St vice Henry Luther time out.

William Farrington Rope maker Second Avenue vice Andrew V Stout time out.

[300] N° 30 continued

David Garret Rope maker Second avenue vice Wm Hart resigned.

John Ackerman Shoe maker, First St. vice Willet Washburn moved to Country

Adam H Fisher Roper maker Orchard St. vice Stephen Rudd Junr joined N° 32.

Wm C Fisher Rope maker Eldridge St. vice Richard T Furman Resigned

John F Vogal Butcher Ludlow St vice Martin Flock joined N° 32.

John Semlear Rope maker Ludlow St. vice James Relay moved in the Coun^{y}

Francis Ennis Ropemaker Ludlow St vice Wm Fowler moved to Country

Almond Chandler Rope maker vice Jacob Westerfield moved in Country.

N° 31.

Samuel Roome Carpenter Grand & Wooster vice David Sutton time expired

N° 42

Samuel Ervine Tobacconist. 313 Water St vice Roswell Crosby Resigned.

The Counsel presented the following respecting P. H Wendover and P Stagg declining to act as *as* Commissioners [301] of Estimate and Assessment

The Counsel begs leave to inform the Board that Peter H Wendover and Peter Stagg Esq^rs [decline] acting as Commissioners in the case of Orange St. On account of the necessity of their devoting their time to the Completion of the Assessm^t for widening Maiden Lane. M^r Wendover for the Same reason and on account of feeble health will decline acting as a commissioner in the Case of Bleecker St. provided it is necessary that that business should be finished for the approaching term of the Supreme Court.

The Counsel respectfully recommends that petitions be presented to one of the Judges of the Supreme Court to appoint others in their places and that the Mayor be authorised to execute them during the recess of the Board.

(Signed) Ogden Edwards.

Which was approved and he was directed to apply accordingly to the Supreme Court to appoint other Commissioners in their stead.

He also presented for execution the following Leases Viz^t

The Counsel herewith respectfully submits [302] for execution the following leases of property Sold for Assessments the term for which certificates were given having expired.

A Lease to Charlotte Selby. alias Sanxy. of all that certain lot of ground fronting on the west side of Broadway between Bleecker and Amity Sts. extending in front along Broadway twenty five feet which said lot was Assessed as aforesaid as belonging to Skeffington Selby sold for Sixteen years from the 26 day of Sept^r 1822. & was sold to Bartholem^w McGarraghan and by him assigned to said Charlotte.

Also a lease to Isaac Ammerman of all those certain three Houses and lots fronting on the West side of the Bowery between Broome and Spring Sts extending in front along the Bowery Seventy five feet Six inches and which was assessed as aforesaid as belonging to Peter Crawbuck sold for five years from the 26^th day of September 1822.

(Signed) Ogden Edwards.

Which was approved and they were ordered to be duly executed.

[303] The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Noah Jarvis appointed Collector in each. Viz[t]

For a Well and Pump in Canal near Hudson St.

D[o] " " " in Howard near Broadway.

D[o] " " " in Sullivan n Canal St.

For paving Green St. from Broome to Spring St

For paving Harman from Montgomery to Grand St and Morris De Camp was app[d] Collector

He also presented the following Returns for delinquents & Warrants were directed to issue to the Collectors for collecting the Same Viz[t]

On An Assessment for a Well and Pump in Lewis St between 3[d] & 4[th] Streets

And on An Assessment for paving the sidewalks in Grand St. between Mercer & Green Street

He also reported an Ord for a Well and pump in Grand Street near Green St which was passed & Francis Peckwell John Salisbury & Abraham Dally were appointed Assessors.

Also for a Well and Pump in Hudson Street near North Moore St. and James Bleecker John Bedient & John Brower were appointed Assessors.

[304] Also for a Well and Pump in Desbrosses St. near Hudson St and Isaac Kip, Benjamin Prince and John Targee were appointed Assessors

The City Inspector presented the following report Viz[t]

The City Inspector respectfully states to the board that three lots on christie St. were ordinanced in june last one of the persons ordinanced complied the other two did not in consequence of a heavy mortgage being on one lot and the lease of the other about to expire it is respectfully recommended that these lots be filled in at the public charge

Signed Geo. Cumming
City Inspector.

Which was approved and he was directed to fill in the Same.

He also presented the following reports

The City Inspector reports that a sunken lot situate at the corner of Herring & Downing Streets which formerly belonged to David Dunham but given by him *to him* to his son in law and afterwards [305] Sold for taxes was ordinanced at the last meeting of the board but Mr Dunham has not complied with it It appears that he cannot

be sued for not complying, as the two years from the time of purchase are unexpired it is therefore recommended that this lot be filled in the usual way at the public Expence

He also reports that an ordinance passed the Board at the Same time against certain lots corner of Staunton and Pitt Streets the Ordinance was posted on the premises both owner and agent being absent the former in England the latter could not be found this therefore it is suggested should take the same course as the preceding.

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspr

Which was approved and he was directed to fill in the lots.

He also reported the following which was approved and he was directed to fill in the lots.

The City Inspector respectfully reports four ordinances for the correction of an extensive nuisance between Mercer and Greene, Bleecker [306] and Amity Streets the Ordinances are directed to A. L. Stewart. Asher Marx, Thomas Cummings and John Sloan for correcting this Nuisance the expence will exceed fifty dollars each lot; but as measures should early be taken to regulate that part of the City he recommends that they Should pass the board

respectr Submitted

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspr

He also reported ordinances for the correction of sundry nuisances which were passed Vizt

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinance[s] for the correction of Nuisances Viz.

No 1	G Haviland	Owner	Bedford & Commerce	A Lot
2	A L Stewart	Do	Broadway & Mercer	Do
3	Do	Do	Mercer & Greene	Do
4	Asher Marx	Do	Do " "	Do
5	T Cummings	Do	Do " "	Do
6	J Sloan	Do	Do " "	Do
7	T S Clarkson	Do	Prince St	Do
8	F A Livingston	Do	Allen St	Do
9	F Spicer	Lessee	" & Delancy	Do
10	[307] E. Delaplaine	Owner	Delancy St.	Do
11	C Conover	Do	Spring & Wooster	Do
12	N Low	Do	Lawrence & Prince	Do
13	H Smith	Do	Bleecker & Greene	Do
14	T & G Lovett.	Do	Lawrence St	Do
15	Do	Do	Wooster St	Do

16	Thomas T Woodruff	Owner	Lawrence and Broome	A Lot
17	R M Livingston	Do	Do	Do
18	Do	Do	near Dietz factory	Do
19	Do	Do	Wooster St	Do
20	John Beekman	Do	Broome	Do
21	Do	Do	Wooster	Do
22	P. A. Jay	Do	Elm & Franklin	Do
22	Do	Do	Rynders	Do
24	Do	Do	Canal	Do
25	B Brewster	Do	Lawrence	Do
26	D R Lambert	Do	Wooster	Do
27	J Thompson	Do	Do	Do
28	R Dickenson	Do	Do	Do
29	P. A. Jay	Do	Canal St.	Do
30	Do	Do	Elm & Franklin	Do
31	J Casey	Occupant	Warren & Chapel	Privy
32	J [T] Knox	Agent	Grand & Ludlow	Do
33	M Vail	Occupant	5 Hague	Do
34	Cat Cephas	Do	7 Do	Do
35	Chas Taylor	Do	66 Division	Do
37	J McConnell	Do	13 Oliver St	Do
38.	[308] John Waldron	Do	3 Pelham St	Do

(Signed) G Cumming C. Inspr

The Committee on the Fire department to whom was referred the petition of Supply Engine Company No 1. to have Eight additional men attached reported Vizt

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Supply Engine Company No 1 for the addition of Eight members to be attached to the Engine

Respectfully Report That from the size of the Engine and the importance of its being well manned in time of Fire they are of opinion that Twenty would not be a greater number than would be wanted whereas they have at present but Twelve

Your Committee therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the petition of the Fire company attached to Supply engine No 1 to have eight new members added to their number be granted

Signed David Seaman
James Hall

[309] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of 8th ward and St. Commr to whom was referred the petition for a Well and Pump in Grand St. near Green St. reported Vizt

The Ald & Assistant of the Eighth ward and St. Commissioner to

whom was referred the annexed petition for a Well and Pump in Grand near Greene St. Report

That in their opinion a well is much wanted at that place and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners be granted and that the St Commr report an Ordinance accordingly

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R. Graves St Comr

Which was approved and the St Commr reported an ordinance therefor.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry Butchers [310] of Fulton market, on subject of rent due on their Stalls reported. Vizt The Market Committee beg leave to State to the Board that some of the Butchers in the Fulton Market in arrears for Stall rent have been prosecuted and judgement obtained and are now imprisoned therefor Some of them have offered to compromise on such terms as your Committee think Should be accepted but not feeling themselves authorised to enter into any arrangements with them they have deemed it proper to lay before the board the following resolution.

Resolved that the council of the Board under the direction of the Market Committee be authorised to make such compromise with the Butchers of the Fulton market who are prosecuted for Stall rent as may be deemed advantageous to the Public. which Resolution was adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition of Nathaniel Cramer. for Stall No 38 Catharine market reported [311] Vizt

The Market Commee to whom was referred the Petition of Nathaniel Cramer butcher representing he has rented stand No 38 Catharine Market and prays to be licensed for the Same Report.

they have made enquiry respecting the above applicant and believe him entitled to receive license they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Nathaniel Cramer be licensed as a butcher for stand No 38 Catharine Market. respectfully submitted

Shivers Parker
Elam Williams
David Seaman.

Which was approved and he was directed to be licensed therefor.

The Commee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of David Crone for remission of tax reported in his favor as follows

The Committee on Assessments to Whom was referred the petition of David Crone praying to be relieved from a Personal tax on One thousand dollars Report that a certificate from the Assessors of the [312] ward hereunto annexed in which they state that they are satisfied that he has no personal property and that his tax ought to be remitted therefore Resolved that the collector of the Eighth Ward refrain from Collecting the Personal tax from David Crone and return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward

Signed Wm Thorn
David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee on the petition of Edward Morris reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Edward Morris requesting to be put in possession of a lot of ground lately purchased from this Corporation

Report that the prayer of the petitioner is in their opinion unreasonable and they *they* therefore submit the following resolution

[313] Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
H. J. Wyckoff
James Hall
John D Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Robert Ferguson to be paid a balance due on paving Eldridge St. reported in his favor as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Robert Ferguson requesting the payment of a small balance due to him for regulating Eldridge St. Report the following resolution

Resolved that fifty one dollars & 1%100 be paid to the petitioner for regulating Eldridge Street

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall.

Which was approved and the Comptroller was directed to report a warrant therefor

[314] The Same Committee on the petition of Wm De Graw & others lessees of stores under Fulton market praying release of the rent reported against the prayer of the petitioners as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Wm L Degraw & others Report That the petitioners occupy stores under Fulton market and request in consequence of the prevalence of the late fever a remission of some part of their rent. Your Committee believing it would not be expedient to comply with the request of the petitioners submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition [315] of James Morgan & Son requesting payment of last installment of mud machine reported in their favor as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of James Morgan & Son requesting that last installment for building the Mud Machine may be advanced to them on their allowance of bank Discount.

Report,

the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller prepare a warrant for the said installment at the next meeting of this Board.

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
John D Brown
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Wm S. Hart to rent for an academy the room over the Watch house corner of Wooster and Prince St. reported in his favour as follows.

[316] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Wm S Hart wherein application is made to rent for an academy the room over the Watch house at the Corner of Wooster & Prince Street Respectfully submit the following resolution

Resolved that the Finance commᵉᵉ be & is hereby authorised to lease the said room

(Signed) Wᵐ Paulding Junʳ
Wᵐ H Ireland
H. J. Wyckoff
James Hall
John D Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Resolution of the board respecting the occupation by Henry Rutgers & others of Lots ceded to widen certain Streets reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed resolution of this Board respectfully

[317] Report.

That Henry Rutgers John Beekman and others did convey to the Corporation of this City certain ground for the purpose of widening a number of Streets described in the said Deed that at the time of making this gratuitous Conveyance the Grantors reserved the rights of preventing the removal of the houses then standing on the ceded property until the expiration of the leases thereof.

Many of these leases having expired the houses instead of having been removed according to the conditions of this contract have again been leased by the grantors to the first of next may

In as much therefore as by the immediate removal of these tenements great inconvenience would probably result to the poor who occupy them your Committee ask leave to submit the following resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner Shall on the first of May next take the necessary measures for carrying into effect the conditions of the said cession

(Signed) Wᵐ Paulding Jʳ
Henry J Wyckoff
Wᵐ H Ireland
John D Brown
James Hall

[318] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of George West, to lease the Fire Engine House at Old Slip reported against the prayer of his petition as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of George West. who wishes to lease the Fire Engine House at Old Slip Report that the prayer of the petitioner is unreasonable and they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
H J Wyckoff
John D Brown
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of H. S. Hassey and others [319] lessees of Rooms under Fulton market praying a reduction of rent reported against their petition as follows which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Henry S Hassey & others Report that the petitioners are Lessees of Rooms under Fulton market and allege that their rents are too high Hence they pray for relief. Your Committee believing it would be improper to accede to the request of the petitioners submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Peter Crawbuck & others holding stalls in Franklin Market praying a release of two months rent in Consequence of their removal from their stalls [320] during the late Epedemic reported against the prayer of the petitioners as follows which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Annexed petition of Peter Crawbuck and others praying remission of two months rent on their Stalls in Franklin market

Report

That your Committee have maturely considered the prayer of the

Petitioners and are of opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the same they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

The Same Committee on the petition of Asa Prior Lessee of one of the stores under Fulton Market praying an allowance of expence for [321] repairs reported against the prayer of the petitioner as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Asa Prior

Report that the Petitioner occupies one of the stores under fulton Market and asks permission to set off against the rent he owes the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars expended by him in fitting up the said Store as a porter house Your Committee submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted

Signed Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
John D Brown
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Commee on the petition of Dominick Lynch requesting remission of Quit rent reported against the prayer of the petitioner as follows

[322] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Dominick Lynch

Report that the petitioner requests a remission of Quit rent on twenty five feet of ground under water on the west side of Walnut Street; the same having been reserved by this Corporation as street It appears that all water grants of the Corporation contain the same reservations in relation to Street, as the said grant to the petitioner Your Committee therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted (Signed) William Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
John D Brown
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition [323] of Joseph Newton & others that the bridge at the foot of Hubert St. may be converted into a public Wharf reported against the Prayer of the petitioner as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Joseph Newton & others.

Report that the pet[it]ioners desire that the Bridge at the foot of Hubert St^{t} which connects the north Battery with the City may be Converted into a public Wharf.

This request your Committee think cannot with propriety be Complied with because the property belongs to the United States the following resolution is therefore Submitted

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted

Wm Paulding Junr
(Signed) John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[324] The Same Committee on the petition of Benjamin Owens Lessee of room under Washington market praying release of rent reported against the prayer of the petitioner as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Benjamin Owens requesting a remission of a quarters rent on his victualling Shop N^{o} 14 Washington Market Report

That it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner and they submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall
John D, Brown

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition (325] of Michael Tully for payment of Ballance due on regulating Wooster Street reported in his favor as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Michael Tully.

Report

that there is due to the petitioner for regulating Wooster Street a balance of $350.49/100 and that the same ought to be paid to him

Your Committee therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that $350. be paid to the said Michael Tully for regulating Wooster Street

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of John Crowler lessee of Cellar No 14 Fulton Market requesting leave to relinquish the same reported against the prayer [326] of the petitioner as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of John Crowler

Report

That the Petitioner requests leave to relinquish to this Corporation his lease of Cellar No 14 under Fulton Market alledging as a reason therefor that he has lately met with several heavy Losses Your Committee deeming it inexpedient to comply with the wish of the Petitioners offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

Signed Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
John D Brown.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the subject of Assessment due from the Congregation of Sherath Israel reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was [327] referred the annexed report of the Comptroller of the City

Respectfully Report,

That there has been for several years and is now due from the

trustees of the Congregation of Sherath Israel for extending Oliver Street to Chatham Street the sum of Ten thousand six hundred & forty three dollars with interest on the same from the 14th day of May 1819. Your Committee considering it just that the said assessment & the interest which has accrued on the same should be collected submit the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller take legal measures for the collection of the said sum & the interest due thereon

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of the Free school Society for payment of [328] School money. reported in favor of petition as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of the Free School Society requesting the payment of School money which is due to that institution

Report the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller prepare a warrant for the said sum of money & present the same at the next meeting of the Board

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
John D Brown
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the following communication of the Street Commr respecting an Account of E. & A. Wilson, reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed communication [329] of the Street Commissioner respectfully Report that although they approve of the motives which induced the Street Commr to decline allowing of the account. of E & A Wilson: nevertheless as these lessees. of this Corporation appear to have believed that they and not the Corporation were to have been at the cost of the work performed by the said lessees Your Committee recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner is hereby authorised to approve of the said account. (Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall
John D Brown
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of George Janeway respecting his claims on certaine grounds in possession of the Corporation reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was [330] referred the annexed petition of George Janeway. Report,

That the petitioner claims certain land now in possession of this Corporation or of persons holding under them, and which ground was formerly known as the powder house lot. and is situated on pearl Street that the memorialist expresses a desire for a speedy and an amicable adjustment of the division line between the property and has in accordance with this wish named Gurdon S Mumford The petitioner requests this Board to nominate on their behalf some person to whom with Mr Mumford this subject may be referred Your Committee believing it would be proper to accede to the request of the memorialist have selected Mr John Macomb as a fit person to act, on the part of this Corporation in the premises The following resolution is therefore respectfully submitted to this Board

Resolved that John Macomb. [331] on the part of this Corporation and Gurdon S Mumford in behalf of the petitioner be and hereby are constituted Referees to whom is committed the power of adjusting the said division line with authority also in the event of their differing as to which is the true line to appoint another person who together with themselves shall determine upon the matter in controversy

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall
John D Brown
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 5th ward and Street Commr to whom was referred a petition for a Well and Pump in Hudson Street near North Moore Street reported as follows

The Alderman and Assistant of the 5th ward & St Comr to whom was referred the annexed petition for a well and Pump in Hudson

near North Moore St. [332] Report, that in their opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Lewis Ford
R Graves St. Comr

Which was approved and the Street Commissioner reported an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed

The Alderman & Assistant of the 5th Ward & Street Commr to whom was referred a Petition for a Well and Pump in Hudson near Desbrosses Street reported as follows.

The Alderman And Assistant of the 5th Ward and Street Commr to whom was referred the Within petition for a Well and Pump near the intersection of Hudson and Desbrosses Street Report that in their opinion the request of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following [333] resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Lewis Ford
R Graves St Comr

Which was approved and the St Commr reported an ordinance agreably thereto Which was passed.

Resolved that the side walks in front of the new Watch house at the Corner of Prince & Wooster Strts be paved under the direction of the Street Commr

Mr Thorn presented the following resolution which was adopted.

The Second regiment of the first brigade of New York State Artillery having presented to the Corporation to be deposited in the Council Chamber the Flag which was borne by the Artillery at the time of the first Inauguration of General Washington as president of the United States

Resolved therefore that a Committee of three be appointed to cause a [334] standard to be procured to be presented by this Corporation to the said Regiment in return for the one presented by them

The Committee appointed were as follows. Mr Thorn Ald. Paulding Mr Parker

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 11th instant	370.01
Received for rents	4012.24
" Tax of 3d & 8th wards	3000.

Received Streets	1836.72
" Wells and Pumps	175.66
" Justices Courts	56.62
	9451.25
Loan of Mechanics bank authorised 11th inst	12500.
	21951.25

98 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton watch 1st District	$813.75
Hibberd & Clark Do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower Do 3d "	624.75
John G Betts Corporation Assessment on lot Cornr of Prince & Wooster St for paving Wooster St from Watch house	88.65
G N Bleecker Comptr 1 Qr Salary 15 inst	437.50
R Graves St Comr 1 Qr do 15 octr	375.
Wm S Smith Collector City revenue 1. Qr	250.
[335] Jacob P Roome Supt repairs 1 Qr Salary 14th inst	250.
Talman J Waters Clk Comptrs office	200.
Thomas Franklin Chief Engr 1 Qr 24 inst	125.
B Skaats keeper City Hall 1 Qr 24 Inst	100.
B Skaats Do Expenses for Corporation	85.44
M Ulshoeffer Sundry Charges as Counsel 1821	61.15
J. Leonard for list of Passengers 6 mo. 1 Inst	50.
J. Bleecker Auctions fees on 33 Stands Fulton mt	49.50
John Curtis Carriage hire 25 June to 3d Inst	35.50
Peter Ammerman Clk 6 markets 2 mo. 1st Inst	93.
D Lyon Hose repairs for Fire Department 24 May	1069.65
Saltus Son & Co. Iron plates for new mud machine	205.62
James Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary	187.50
Josiah Hedden Do Do Do	187.50
Henry Abell Do Do Do	187.50
George B. Rapalye Clerk Police	200.
R Stephens Assistant Do	199.33
J Hays & officers conveying persons to penitentiary	54.50
J Hays & officers extra services Police	199.33
G. B. Raymond & Do conveying person[s] to Prison	119.50
Aldermen attending Sessions 6 terms to 1st Decemr Vizt	
Alderman Wyckoff 12 days August	$36.
" Williams 12 do do	36.
" Fairlie 12 do Sept	36.
" Hall 12 do	36.
" Paulding 12 Octr	36.
" McQueen 12 do	36.
[336]" Mann 24 June & Novr	72.
" Taylor 24 do	72.
" Depeyster 12 July	36.
" Mead 12 do	36.
Thomas Lovett acct filling battery	1250.

Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House	4019.19
Commrs of Health for sick at marine Hospital	486.75
Christian Brown Assist. Board of Health	213.75
Leek and Walton additional compenn to watch	157.
J. P. Roome Supt repairs for fences on Streets	127.35
J Gelston rent of house for sick at Kips bay	80.
J Sidell to pay officers attends board of Health	68.50
James Thompson Hearse Driver	.50
Daniel H Magee keeper of Potters field extra	34.75
Wm Thompson & others opens Fire plug infected district	27.
Astin & Cochrane messengers services on sunday	24.
Geo Richards & S Lockwood expenses for sick woman	15.
Jonas Bush 9 days watching in infected dist	13.50
Smith Cutter medicine &c	4.06
Wm Smith Cash paid for cleaning gutters Cheapside	1.25
Editor Mercantile advertiser advertg for Bd of Hth	75.73
do Commercial do " "	32.68
do American do " "	32.37
do National advocate " "	30.13
do New York Statesman " "	26.13
do Evening Post " "	25.99
do [337] Republican Sentinel " "	16.62
Do Daily advertiser " "	16.38
Do New York Gazettee " "	13.35
do Mechanics Gazette " "	19.87

Assessors of tax 1822

E Tibbetts & J H Bailey Assessors of tax 1st ward	305.
J Drake & Wm W Fox " 2nd "	286.
N C Griffith & J Graham " 3d	300.
P Bonnett & G L Hartman " 4th	237.50
G Sutton & L Warner " 5th	340.
H Ackerman & P Halsted " 6th	316.
J. Cox & J M Tuthill " 7th	291.
G Coutant & J N Wells " 8th	292.50
T Miller & D Fowler " 9th	375.
S Purdy & G Ostrander " 10th	306.

Inspectors of Election 1822

Thomas [R. Smith]	& Inspectors of election	1st ward		56.
Samuel St. John	& do	2nd "		60.
Daniel D Smith	& do	3d "		60.
John P Anthony	& do	4th "		52.
Benjn Strong	& do	5th "		60.
Richard L Walker	& do	6th "		60.
Abraham Daily	& do	7th "		60.
Samuel M Thompson	& do	8th "		60.
Thomas Morris	& do	9th "		60.
John Drake	& do	10th "		60.

John Sidell to pay officers attending general election.....	224.
[338] H Smith acct. flags side walks G. Jones St & Bond St.....	500.
Thompn & Price act rebuilds Fly market Sewer.....	500.
H Smith act. pavs Lispend St. fr Church to B. Wy.....	100.
J. Pinkerton act. pavs Side walks Allen C Grand & Stanton.....	100.
A H Mooney bal regs & repavs water St fr fulton to C Wharf.....	93.89
A H Mooney bal. Do Do Fulton St.....	60.26
Cors Bogert Commr fee relative to opens 34th St. between 2 & 3d Avenue	38.
G Charlton bal Well Orchard n Broome.....	45.12
G Charlton bal " Prince n Mercer.....	38.25
J Gallagher bal " Columbia n Delancy.....	20.
R Ayres filling at Bulkhead foot of Chamber & Duane.....	400.
Jacob P Roome Supert Repairs for Washingtn Mart.....	1100.
J P Roome Do Fire Department	500.
J P Roome D Pump Department	259.

Board adjourned.

[*338] In Common Council. Decr 9th 1822

Present The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Samuel B Harper
Elam Williams	Wm H Ireland
James Fairlie	John D Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Lewis Ford
James Hall	Wm Thorn
Asa Mann	David Marsh
Jacob B Taylor	Shivers Parker
Henry Mead	Nathaniel Reynolds
	David Seaman.

The minutes of last meeting were read & approved.

A Recommendation in behalf of Peter Townsend to receive a Butchers license was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Philip L Luff for a Butchers license & for stall No 39 Washington market was [339] referred to the Market Committee

A petition of Francis O Neal to transfer his Stall No 45 Fulton market was referred to the Same Committee.

A Petition of Peter Smith for further time to fill in a lot corner of Bleecker Street & Greene was read and time extended to the 21st of January next.

A Petition of Thomas Woodhead for relief from a personal tax

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

assessed on him through mistake of Assessors was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments who immediately reported in his favor. See Report of Committee of Assessments under the reports from Commees

A Petition of John Herriot stating that he is in Prison for rent due on a Stall in Fulton Market & praying to be relieved from prison on giving his bond for the sum due was read and referred to the Market Committee with powers.

[340] A petition of Edward N Roston stating that the Books of the Assessors of the 8th Ward through mistake charge him with an Assessment on $2000. tax instead of $200. & praying relief was read and referred to the Commee on Assessments.

A petition of Carlos Benediti to be relieved from an excessive Assessment of a personal tax occasioned by a mistake of the Assessors books of the 3d Ward was read and referred to the Commee on Assessments.

A [petition of] Peter Dustan stating that he has been assessed & has paid his Personal tax in the 9th ward & finds he has also been assessed for his personal property in the 3d ward & praying to be relieved from the latter Assessment. was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Robert M & J Russell requesting permission to use a part of the side walk and part of the Street in front of their Store in South Street for the purpose of receiving and delivering flaxseed was read and referred to the [341] Alderman & Assistant of 1st ward wh authority to grant the request.

A Pet. of George Lovett requesting the use of one of the Fire Engines for the purpose of clearing a Well on Lispenards meadow was referred to the Commee on the Fire Department. with authority.

An application of Dr Stephen Brown for Appointment of visiting Surgeon to the Alms House was read and referred to the Committee on Applications

An Application was also received from Dr James M Pendleton to be considered as a candidate for said Office which was referred to the Same Committee And it was Resolved that Said Committee have authority to receive applications from other persons who are desirous of receiving an appointment to said office & report on them to the board.

[342] A Memorial from Fire Engine Company No 26 stating that the engine attached to their Company is on account of the largeness of its Size illy calculated for the purposes intended & requesting Some

other disposition may be made of the Same and one of the Standard size furnished to said Company. which being read was referred to the Committee cn the Fire Department.

A Petition of Thomas Van Zandt, stating the Side walk in Gold St. is not regulated as to width agreably to Law, & praying that the same may be made conformable to the ordinance in that respect made which being read was referred the St Commr

A Memorial from John Tucker requesting to be heard on the subject of a plan for sweeping Streets of the City was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of the inhabitants of Provoost St. requesting that the Houses on said Street may be correctly numbered was referred to the Street Committee with powers.

[343] Two Petitions were presented from sundry Inhabitants of the Fifth ward requesting that foot paths of flagging stone may be made across certain Streets in said ward were read & referred to the Ald & Assistant of the Ward & St. Commissioner

A Petition from a number of Citizens stating the inconvenience that is experienced by the Congregation of the 14th Presbyterian church in Provoost Street attending divine Service in the evening for the want of a lamp & praying one may be placed opposite the door of said Church was referred to the lamp Committee.

A Petition that McDougall St may be paved curbed & the side walks gravelled from Spring to Houston St. was referred to the Street Committee.

A Further Petition of Edward Morris to be put in possession of certain [344] ground purchased by him lately from the Corporation was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Roe praying relief from an undue assessment of a personal tax on him was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of George Janeway. objecting to the appointment of John McComb as a Referee in the dispute between Petitioner and Corporation and requesting some other person to be appointed was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of several Auctioneers requesting that an Ordinance may be passed authorising the sale of all kinds of Furniture in Chatham Square which being read was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Moore to be appointed a city Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of James Machin requesting payment [345] of Sums due for regulating & Paving Hubert Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Representation was made on behalf of George L Storer that in a lease which had passed the board to him on the 11th of Novr last a mistake had been made in the name and had been written "Storee instead of Storer and he requested the same might be altered whereupon it was directed that the said lease be altered to George L Storer.

A Petition of Wm W Fisher stating that he had made an Area to a house he had lately built corner of Canal & Laight Street that he had received information from the Street Commr that the same would come under the Ordinances respecting Vaults & he be charged 15 Cents therefor this he considers a hardship and prayed relief Whereupon the Same was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 5th ward and Street Commr

[346] A Note was received from Lieut P F Voorhies of the Ship Washington U S Navy stating that he had submitted to the inspection of the Common Council a model for raising water by Pumps which might be of utility in the Conveyance of water to the City whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences.

A Letter was received from John Vn Ness Yates. & others a committee of Correspondence appointed at Albany in November last enclosing the proceedings of a Public meeting of the Citizens of that place relative to the Cause of the oppressed and persecuted Christians the Greeks expressing a hope that by a Cordial cooperation of the inhabitants of every City and town something effectual may be done for their relief whereupon the Same was referred to a Special committee Consisting of Ald. Mead Taylor Mann. Messrs Marsh and Seaman

A Memorial of Charles King and others in behalf of the general committee appointed by the Citizens to devise means of erecting a Statue to General Washington was [347] presented stating that it has been ascertained that the Sum required for completing a Statue will be $50,000 that for an object of such general concern and for the completion of which they are persuaded that the pride the Gratitude & the Patriotism of every Citizen would make him desirous of Contributing for the accomplishment of it they presume that a general Assessment by the Corporation would be the most equitable the least inconvenient & least expensive manner or they add it may be effected by creating a Stock bearing an Interest Which could be paid off by Installments and they request the Corporation to apply to the Legislature for authority to raise the money by one of those means. Which

being read was referred to the Committee on that subject Vizt. Ald Fairlie, Bolton. Parker & Ireland.

The following report was received from the Chief Engineer. Vizt At a meeting [348] of the engineers & Foreman of the Fire Departmt held the 4th of December 1822 the following persons. Vizt Valentine Vandewater Jameson Cox Philip W Engs & Uzziah Wenman were recommended to the Common Council as suitable persons to fill the Stations of Engineers in the places of Benjamin Strong James Scott Hays Pennel & John Colvill resigned.

(Signed) Thomas Franklin Chf Engr

Whereupon the above named persons were appointed Engineers of the Fire department of the City of New York.

The following persons were appointed F. Wardens & Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the Vacancies

Fire wardens of 5th Ward.

Jesse Howard Publican 73 Provoost St. vice Wm Cahoone resigned

Hook & Ladder No 2.

James H Patten Gilder 18 Oliver St. vice Jacob F Dominick resigned

Hook & Ladder No 3.

John Bloomfield Carpenter Christopher St. vice John Bartholf Expelled

[349] Supply Engine No 1 additional members

David M Prall Merchant 90 Chatham
Simeon Pye Lock Smith 143 Leonard
Isaac U Townsend Grocer 24 Oliver
Edward G Faile Grocer 31 Vandewater
Benjamin A Waldron Brass Founder 56 Mulberry
Andrew Katen Cordwainer 73 "
Wm Willis Collector F Departt 49 Orange.

Engine No 8.

James W Pinckney Accountant 174 Chatham vice Joseph P Fisher expelled

No 10

Wm S. Tice Cordwainer 26 Broome St. vice George Forster absconded

N° 13

Stephen C Degrove Hatter 327 Pearl vice John B Wright Resigned

Edward W DeGrove Hatter 327 Pearl vice John Tait Resigned

N° 14

Peter Messellere Glove maker Broadway vice Ab. P. Maybie Resigned

N° 15

George M Thompson Taylor. 13 Cath^e vice Ab Croft resigned

N° 16.

Abraham Franklin Grocer White St. vice George Hitchcock resigned

[350] N° 22.

Luke Covert Shipwright Norfolk c^r Broome vice Simeon Price. F Warden

Andrew Bell Cooper. Banker Street. vice Nicholl Downs. Resigned

Samuel Quackenboss Carpenter James Street vice Michael Degroff Mott St.

N° 25.

John H Corey. Turner. 35 Read Street vice Samuel W Jennings Resigned

N° 31.

Samuel Johnson Blacksmith Leonard N° 40. vice Rinear Wortendyke time expired

N° 32

Cyrus Benjamin Carpenter 185 Bowery vice Jordan Downing Resigned

N° 37.

Francis Ennis Rope maker Attorney St vice John Shaw. Resigned

N° 41

Adam Miller Cartman. Delancy, vice Richard Miller Resigned

The Comptroller reported that he had examined the account of W^m Paulding Jun^r Esq^r Treasurer of the Board of Health the Balance due to the Corporation [351] agreably to his account is $243 and was paid to the Treasurer on the 7^th instant Whereupon the said report was directed to be filed.

The Street Commr presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed in each Vizt.

For paving Grand from Forsythe to Ludlow Street & Morris De Camp was appointed Collector

For paving Greene from Spring to Bleecker Street & Noah Jarvis was appointed Collector.

For paving South St. from Peck Slip to Crane Wharf and M De Camp was appointed Collector.

He also presented an Assessment for a Well and pump in Goerck Street with objections of Thomas & George Lovett, which was directed to be referred back to the Assessors w[i]th the objections.

He Also presented a Return of delinquents upon the Assessment for flagging the Side Walks on the North Side of [352] Bond Street & on the South Side of Great Jones Street.

Also upon Assessments for paving Essex St from Broome to Delancy Street & Warrants were ordered to issue to the Collectors

He also presented an ordinance for laying Cross walks in the 5th Ward which was passed and John Targee John Bedient & James Bleecker were appointed Assessors.

The City Inspector presented the following report Vizt.

The City Inspector respectfully reports to the Board That on the 28th day of October 1821. John R. Livingston was ordinanced to fill in certain Lots fronting on Rivington, Lewis and Cannon Streets the Street Committee directed the ordinance to expire on the 1st of May last previous to which day however Mr Livingston petitioned the Board, and stated that, the placing the Curb Stone on Rivington St. would direct the water from the higher ground to the East River and thereby remedy the evil complained of his petition was referred [353] to the Street Committee where it remains experience however has proved that altho the Curb Stone was laid that the large pool of Water continu's there an ordinance to correct which is presented to expire the 1st of March next. He also presents an ordinance to correct certain lots on the north side of Stanton Street between Attorney and Arundel Streets the lots are owned by the Widow Montgomery who resides out of the city and has no agent here; the Ordinance is intended to be posted on the premises and will expire the 1st of March also.

(Signed) Geo Cumming City Inspr

Which was approved and the ordinances proposed were passed

He also presented the following ordinances for correction of sundry nuisances which were passed Vizt

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting nuisances. Viz[t]

N°	1	D[l] Payne	Occupant	14	Chatham	Privy
	2	[354] H. Watkinson	D°		*D°* [49 Pine St] A	Lot
	3	J G Clark	D°	*49*	*Pine St* [2 Temple St] A	Privy
	4	S Hauff	D°	*2*	*Temple St* [3 D°]	D°
	5	D Adams	D°	4	D°	D°
	6	James Kelly	D°	40	West St	D°
	7	J N Romaine	D°	42	D°	D°
	8	W[m] Kerly	D°	141	B Way	D°
	9	E McMenomy	D°	175	"	D°
	10	Mrs Cooper	D°	185	"	D°
	11	B & H Haight	D°	207	"	D°
	12	E Brower	D°	158	Fulton	D°
	13	W[m] Woodruff	D°	174	D°	D°
	14	John C Turcot	D°	184	"	"
	15	James Dunn	D°	141	Greenwich St	D°
	16	W[m] Haines	D°	143	D°	D°
	17	W R Scribner	D°	146	D°	D°
	18	J B Marie	D°	148	D°	D°
	19	Mrs McNeil	D°	156	D°	D°
	20	Chatelier & Robert	D°	161	D°	D°
	21	John Rogers	D°	162	D°	D°
	22	John Ferguson	D°	164	D°	D°
	23	A O King	D°	166	D°	D°
	24	Baker and Wyckoff	D°	*125*	[185] D°	D°
[	25	Rachel Reed	D°	327	D°	D°]
	26	W[m] Sherwood	D°	2	Dey St	D°
	27	W[m] Gibson	D°	8	do	D°
	28	R P Laurence	D°	22	D°	D°
	29	Benj[n] Hughes	D°	30	D°	D°
	30	[355] Jacob Anthony	D°	32	D°	D°
	31	Samuel Sharpe	D°	40	do	do
	32	J Vanbussum	do	44	West St	do
	33	J C Morris	do	64	Dey	do
	34	Ja[s] Fairly	Owner	78	do	do
	35	J D Campbell	Occupant	133	Washin[n] St	do
	36	R Wortendyke	do	140	do	do
	37	Peter Thompson	do	142	do	do
	38	Richard Amos	do	144	do	do
	39	*F* [T] Vantine *Occupant*	do	146	do	do
	40	E Noe	do	147	do	do
	41	A Birdsall	do	151	do	do
	42	J Leakman	do	153	do	do
	43	Miller Taylor & co	do	155	do	do
	44	J Dougherty	do	6	Courtlandt	do
	45	W[m] Dodge	do	47	do	do
	46	John Sears	do	48	do	do
	47	I D Dissossway	do	54	do	do
	48	J W Higgins	do	63	do	do

49	E Patten	Occupant	71	Courtlandt	A Privy
50	D Hasker	do	73	do	do
51	Robert Barnes	do	77	do	do
52	Wm Harrison	do	79	do	do
53	G W Talbot	do	71	Liberty	do
54	Samuel Maverick	do	73	do	do
55	J Dolbeer	do	76	do	do
56	Luke Torboss	do	78	do	do
57	J Manesca	do	90	do	do
58	[356] J Watkins	do	*146*[92]	do	do
59	N Rogers	do	104	do	do
60	Edward Coates	do	122	do	do
61	Jane Smith	do	64	Cedar St	do
62	J Neaffie	do	68	do	do
63	Captain Leonard	do	80	do	do
64	Wm Carle	do	82	do	do
65	Samuel Benton	do	84	do	do
66	Saml Van Allen	do	86	do	do
67	G H McWhorter	do	87	do	do
68	Col. Swartwout	do	92	do	do
69	G Van Zandt	do	94	do	do
70	J B Clarke	do	98	do	do
71	Mrs Dixon	do	74	Liberty St	A Lot
72	A Robinson	do	79	do	do
73	Mrs *Desoles* [Desaulles]	do	11	Dey St	do
74	E C Allen	do	15	do	do
75	Wm E Ross	do	33	do	do
76	Mrs Marsh	do	138	Washington	do
77	Rvd Mr Mc*Cleod* [Leod]	do	53	Courtlandt	do
78	Allen Melvill	do	55	do	do
79	N Judah	do	151	Broadway	do
80	Dl *L* [D] Arden	do	155	do	Do
81	John Crerar	do	165	do	do
82	Josh Durbrow	Owner		Rivington	do
83	Charles Dickenson	Agent		do	do
84	John L Graham	Owner		do	do
85	[357] John R Livingston	do		do	do
86	Janet Montgomery	Do		Stanton	do
87	Wm Young	Occupant		John [& Cliff]	do

(Signed) George Cumming
City Inspector

The report of the Committee of Assessments on the petition of Thomas Woodhead above mentioned was as follows

The Committee of Assessments have had the case of Thomas Woodhead under consideration

Report, that there appears from the certificate of the Assessors which is hereunto annexed to have been an error in Copying they are

decidedly of opinion that relief ought to be granted beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the third ward receive a tax from Thomas Woodhead on one thousand dollars personal property and return the residue of his personal tax in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn Chairman
[358] David Marsh
Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom Was referred the petition of John Suckley. reported as follows.

The Same Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the *the* petition of John Suckley praying to be relieved from a part of the tax imposed on his personal property

Report. that the Assessors of the Ward have given a certificate which is hereunto annexed in which they state that they are satisfied that his personal property Should have been valued at $1000 instead of $5000 Respectfully offer the following resolution Resolved that the Collector of the Ward receive a tax from John Suckly on One thousand dollars and return the residue of the tax imposed on his personal property in the list of Errors & Insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn
David Marsh
Nathaniel Reynolds
Henry J Wyckoff

[359] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Christopher Rush reported Vizt

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Christopher Rush praying to be released from paying his tax he being a gospel minister Report.

that they did on the 22nd of July last make a report in his favour which from some unknown cause has been unattended to respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the relief granted the petitioner in our Report of the 22nd of July instant is in our opinion Sufficient

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Nathaniel Reynolds
David Marsh
H J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Market Committee on the petition of S. Seward & A Fisher [360] respecting transfer of Stall No 12 Fulton Market reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Simon Seward Stating that he is desirous of obtaining a transfer of Stand No 12 Fulton market now occupied by andrew Fisher who is about giving up said Stand and on receiving permission for transfer he will pay the whole rent in advance for the term for which it was rented

And also the request of Andrew Fisher for permission to transfer as above stated

Report they have had the Subject before them and cannot perceive any impropriety in granting the request of the above applicants particularly as the whole rent is to be paid in advance they beg leave to offer the following resolutions

Resolved that Andrew Fisher be permitted to transfer Stand No 12 in the Fulton Market to Simon Seward on his paying the whole rent in advance for the term for which it is rented

Resolved that Simon Seward be licensed as a butcher for Stand No 12 Fulton Market

[*362] Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Jas Fairlie
Elam Williams

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee of Applications to whom was referred the petition of Joseph D Cooper for appointment of City Guager presented a report in his favor which was read and the consideration postponed

The Same Committee on the petition of John Ashford for appointment of Measurer of Charcoal reported Vizt

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Ashford praying to be a Measurer of Charcoal beg leave to Report that they

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

think the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted and offer the following resolution.

Resolved that John Ashford be and is hereby appointed a Measurer of Charcoal

(Signed) David Marsh
Nath[l] Reynolds

[363] Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly.

The Same Comm[ee] to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Fash to be appointed a Measurer of Lime reported in his favor which was referred back to the Same Committee to report the facts in relation to his former suspension from that office.

The Committee Consisting of the Ald. & Assistant of the 7[th] Ward and Street Comm[r] on the petition of David Dunham. respecting a Vault in Lombardy Street reported as follows.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 7[th] Ward and Street Comm[r] to whom was referred the petition of David Dunham praying that a Manure Vault which he has constructed in front of his Stables in Lombardy Street may be permitted to remain Report that in their opinion all such receptacles for filth in the public Streets are injurious to health and Cleanliness and ought to be prohibited and therefore recommend [364] the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) Asa Mann.
William Thorn
R. Graves

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee *to* on the petition of Hugh Smith praying payment of Sums due to him on contracts for paving certain Streets reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Hugh Smith

Report that the following balances are due to him.

For Regulating and paving Thompson St from Broome to Spring St.	$84.45
Paving Lispenard fr. Church to B[d]Way.....	48.83
Regul[g] Broome fr. Mercer to Thompson St.....	867.87
	$1001.15

As it is nearly twelve months since the two *above* first above mentioned Assessments were confirmed & more than a Year since the confirmation of the latter one your Committee [365] think it would be

reasonable to grant the prayer of the Petitioner and accordingly Submit the following resolution

Resolved that a Warrant be issued in favour of the said Hugh Smith for one thousand & one dollars fifteen Cents

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

Which was approved and a Warrant directed to be reported agreably thereto

The Same Committee on the petition of Murtaugh Gilmore for further time for payment of an Assessment for paving Clark St. reported in his favor as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of M Gilmore requesting permission until the 25th of March next for the payment of an Assessment for paving Clark Street

Report the following resolution

Resolved that the Petitioner have [366] until the 25th of March 1823 to pay the said Assessment & the interest which shall then be due thereon from the confirmation of the same

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Owners of Property on Grand Street praying for the removal of Essex market reported in favor of the petition as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of owners of property on Grand Street praying for the removal of Essex market.

Report.

That as the said market is situated in a Street which the public convenience requires should in no wise be obstructed, it ought to [367] be removed whenever another one shall have been built in that vicinity

Your Committee believing that the erection of a suitable market in this neighbourhood would benefit the inhabitants thereof respectfully recommend the following resolution

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to select a suitable site for the erection of a market in the vicinage of Essex Market and that they report the same and the price at which it can be obtained to this Corporation

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland
James Hall.

Which Resolution was adopted and the Same was referred to the Market Committee.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition that Dover Street may be opened & widened from Franklin Square to Water Street presented the following report which was approved [368] and the resolution adopted. Vizt.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of a respectable number of inhabitants of the Fourth ward praying that Dover Street may be opened from Franklin Square to Water Street

Report, that your Committee have had the Subject under their deliberate consideration and are of opinion that it would conduce much to the benefit of property lying in the vicinity of the contemplated improvement by granting the request of the petitioners inasmuch as the expence will in the opinion of your Committee bear no comparison with the advantages which will result from such improvement they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that Dover Street be widened from Franklin Square to Water Street agreably to a plan herewith shewn and that the Counsel to this Board prepare & present to the Supreme Court. the necessary applications [369] for carrying the same into effect

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann

Mr Parker gave notice that he would at the next *ti*meeting move for a reconsideration of this vote taken on the Subject. It was resolved that the Street Commr be directed to advertise in the Papers employed by the Board of the proposed Reconsideration of this subject at the next meeting of the board.

On motion of Mr Ireland Resolved that John Gaffit at present one of the Inspectors of Wood for the 7th district be and he is hereby removed to the 12th district as an additional Inspector of said district.

Alderman Wyckoff gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the board move to take into consideration the law respecting repairing of Cartways reported to the board on the 29th October 1821.

[370] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 25th Novr	$159.44	
Recd for tax of 1822. 3d & 6th wards	5100.	
" Rents	4071.42	
" Streets	875.	
" Justices Courts	506.14	
" Mayoralty fees	253.50	
" Board of Health	243.	
" Excise	65.	
	$11273.50	
Loan of Mechanics bank authorized 11 novr on acct	7000.	18.273.50

54 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st distt	$813.75	
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd do	645.75	
Bleakly & Brower do 3d do	624.75	
J J Astor rent for Ground Spring St Watch house 6 mo. 1 nov	15.	
Geo. Cumming City Inspr 1 Qr Salary 1 inst	200.	
Wm J Waldron Assistant do "	45.50	
Obadiah Ayres Do " "	45.50	
Samuel Hutchings Street Inspr	52.50	
Jonathan Pinckney do do	52.50	
Astin & Cochrane Messengers	52.	
Charles Gilman Keeper of Battery	33.75	
Andrew McCready do Park	33.75	
Danl H Magee do Pottersfield	37.50	
Ezra Frost Clk of Fulton Market 3 mo. 1st inst	124.98	
Isaac Asten Sweeper do. 1 mo.	53.59	
Richard Smith Clk Washington mart	58.	
[371] John Bremner Clk Catharine Market	56.	
Peter Amerman Clk 6 markets	46.50	
George DurYea—Franklin market	37.50	
John Hunter from the Board of health for services	150.	
Wm Elling do do do	50.	
Dr Drake do do do	100.	
Dr Belden do do do	50.	
Dr Westervelt do do do	50.	
Dr Hicks do do do	150.	
George Mills do do do	100.	
George Mills Assist Board of Health 1 mo	45.50	
Benjamin Hicks do do	45.50	
G Snethen Supr lamps and lighting	714.23	

Robert Provoost repairing Lamps	$56.99	
S W Lowere painting Engine No 2	16.	
Richard Hatfield Clk of Sess 1 Q 2nd inst	500.	
B Skaats Crier do 1 Qr "	25.	
R Hatfield Clk Sessions to pay Witnesses	14.	
Wm G Ball 1 Qr rent Court Room	31.25	
Thompn Price act Rebuilds Fly market Sewer	400.	
H Smith acct Regs & pavs Do Street	200.	
J. Baily do do Christie from Broome to Delany	150.	
James Pinkerton do pavs side walks in Allen St	100.	
M Tully Regulating Wooster St	350.49	
R Ferguson bal Regs Eldridge fr Stanton to North St	51.19	
G Tucker altering and repairs Culverts Canal St. intersectn Rynder	162.	
Do repairing Culverts in Thompson Corner of Broome	9.45	
[372] J Verplank advertising Sale to redeem taxes	12.	
G Charlton 1st paymt Well Bowery cor of Prince & Bleecker	64.63	
G Charlton Do Do Lawrence cor Prince [&] Houston	35.12	
J. Becker & B Brower acct making reef at Battery	800.	
J Morgan & Son last installment in advance for building new mud machine	722.82	
Treasr Free School Society Annual Appropriation	1500.	
John W Wyman Balance of the whole amount of fines & forfeitures recd from May 1818 to Feb 1821 inclusive	1303.16	
J P Roome Supt Repairs for repairs Docks & Slips	2119.90	
Arthur Burtis Supt. Alms House	5000.	18200.55
Balance		$72.95

Adjourned.

[373] Special Meeting In Common Council Decr 17th 1822

Present The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Lewis Ford
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Jacob B. Taylor	Wm Thorn
Henry Mead	Nathaniel Reynolds
	David Seaman

His Honor the Mayor stated that in consequence of the death of Mr Garret Sickles late keeper of the City Prison or Bridewell he had Summoned the Board together for the purpose of Appointing a person to succeed him

Petitions were presented and read from the following persons soliciting the appointm[t] of Keeper of the City Prison Viz[t]

Jacob Hays George Harsin Samuel Kip Peter Flisco, Morris Crane, Nicolas B Lyon [374] W[m] Willing James D Bassett and Simon Van Ant. Werp Jun[r]

M[r] Thorn rose in his place and nominated for the office Mr George B Thorp

The Board then proceeded to ballot for a person to fill the office of keeper. of the City Prison or Bridewell when upon counting the Ballots it appeared that George B Thorp was unanimously elected Whereupon it was Resolved that George B Thorp be and he is hereby appointed Keeper of the City Prison or Bridewell

A Pet. was received from Richard Wilcox stating that he has invented a new machine for scraping sweeping & removing the dirt from the Street & requesting that it might be examined & if found worthy of Patronage that it may be adopted by the City which being read was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Stephen Gould to be permitted to supply the newly [375] elected members Setts of the laws of the State was read and laid on the table

A Petition of Elizabeth Westerfield to be permitted to surrender up her lease for Stand N° 29 Fulton market was read and referred to the Finance Committee with powers.

A Petition of Robert Warnock W[m] M[c]Laughlin & John Quin Assignees of Alex[r] N Mooney of Leasehold Estate situate at Corner of Cherry and Roosevelt Sts, formerly leased by the Corporation to Cha[s] McCarter requesting that they may be permitted to Assign their interest in the Same to Patrick Gartland was read and referred to the Finance Committee

Adjourned.

[376] In Common Council Dec^{r} 23^{d} 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor Pres^{t}
Richard Riker Esq^{r} Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
James Fairlie	Samuel B Harper
Elam Williams	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John D Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Wm Thorn
Robert McQueen	David Marsh
Asa Mann	Nathaniel Reynolds
Jacob B Taylor	David Seaman
Henry Mead	Shivers Parker

The minutes of the last regular and of the Special meeting were read and approved.

A Memorial from Richard Harrison & others in behalf of the vestry of Trinity Church on the Subject of their Burial ground was received Stating that the northern part of the Cemetery is held under a grant, [377] from the City Corporation of a very ancient date with a condition that it should be used for the Interments of the Inhabitants indiscriminately for a very small consideration this has so much multiplied Interments in that ground as to create apprehensions (well or ill founded) on the score of the Public Health. If the Public authority is desirous that Interments should there cease, this can only be done by disposing of the condition If that is done the vestry will prohibit further interments in that ground In relation to the other parts of the Cemetery they presume they will be liable to no other restrictions than such as may be common to all the other religious Societyes, Which being read was referred to the Committee on the communication of the Mayor on subject of the health of the City of which Alderman Mead is chairman.

A Petition of John Miller to be appointed an Inspector of Firewood was referred to the Com^{ee} on Wharves piers & Slips.

[378] A Petition of John Cregier for an extension of time for payment of ground rent due to said Corporation was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance by G Dietrich & others & of James C Roosevelt & others against the proposed widening of Dover Street was presented by the St Commissioner having been received by him in consequence of advertising the same according to the resolution of the

Board the same was read & laid on the table to be taken up when the motion for reconsidering that Subject is considered

A Petition of Charlotte J Bullus for relief from an Assessment of personal tax accompanied with a certificate from the Assessors of the 3d ward that they had rated her property at $5000 when it should have been $1000 was read and it was resolved that the Prayer of the petitioner be granted and that the Collector of the 3d Ward be directed to receive [379] from said Charlotte J Bullus personal tax on $1000 instead of on $5000 & that he carry the balance to the list of errors & insolvencies of the Ward.

A Petition of George Pessenger for Stall N° 32 Catharine Market was presented and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of James Duffie to be relieved from tax on 7 Lots in the 8th Ward for the Year 1821 which had never been demanded from him & he has since sold the Lots was referred to the Commee on Assessments.

A Memorial from the Fire department of the City stating that there is at present a great deficiency of Firemen and praying that the law respecting Firemen may be so amended as to permit young men between the ages of 18 & 21 to be chosen as Firemen was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of S Jones & others that that part of Hubert Street which extends from Chapel Street to the rear of St Johns Church [380] be hereafter called "York Street was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Wm W Fisher stating that in constructing a Cistern for his house corner of Canal & Laight St. he has encroached on the Street and praying he may be permitted to continue the same and pay therefor was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of 5th ward & Street Commissioner with powers.

A Petition of Benjamin Watson register of Dogs praying he may be permitted to retain the sum he has collected as a tax on Dogs for his services was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Leonard Bleecker to be relieved from an undue Assessment on him for a personal tax was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Mark Hoag to be relieved from a tax was referred to the Commee on Assessments.

[381] A petition from Moses Allen to be relieved from a tax assessed on his personal property in the first ward having been

assessed and paid a tax in the 3d ward where he resides was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Joseph Oliver for permission to surrender his lease of Cellar No 6 under Fulton market. or that the rent of the same may be reduced to $200 per annum was referred to the Finance Committee

A recommendation from a number of inhabitants in favor of Jacob Lobb. that he be appointed an Inspector of Firewood was referred to the Committee on Whves Piers & Slips

A Petition of the Market women of Spring Street Market praying that the fees imposed on their Stands may be remitted until the 1st of April next. was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of George Thompson for Stall No 7 Catharine Market. at present owned by Timothy Cornell who is willing to relinquish the same was referred to the Market Commee

[382] A Petition of Charles Simonson for Stall No 28 Fulton market was referred to the Market Commee

A Petition of John Vanderlyn for remission of tax on the Rotunda was referred to the Finance Commee

An Application of Dr Richard K Hoffman for the appointment of Visiting Surgeon to the Alms House with recommendations from the late D. Richard S Kissam & from Dr Mott & Professor Hosack were read and referred to the Committee on Applications

A petition of Isaac Wright & Son for permission to place a Buoy in the East River in the Vicinity of Stewarts Wharf for the accommodation of vessels hawling off & coming in to Wharf. was referred to the Commee on Wharves Piers & Slips. with authority

The following persons were appointed Fireman the Chief Engineer Certifying the vacancies.

[383] Fire Wardens 10th ward

Thomas Truslow Merchant. 114 Division St.
vice John Ennis time Expired

Engine No 4.

John E Norris Cabinetmaker 250 William St
vice Abraham Warner. Resigned

George Bready Chair maker 81 Gold St
vice Frederick McReady Resigned

No 25.

Oliver B Sickles Book Binder Chapple St
vice Bellarmin Leland Dead

The Street Commr presented the following in relation to an ordinance for a Well and Pump in Goerck Street which at the last meeting was referred back to the Assessors together with the report of the Assessors.

The Street Commr herewith Covers an Assessmt for a Well and Pump in Goerck Street which was presented at the last regular meeting of the Common Council with the Objections of Messrs Thomas & George Lovett thereto and which was referred back to the Assessors for reconsideration

The said Assessors having so reconsidered it report that they see no Just cause of Complaint—the undersigned would therefore recommend that the Assessment be confirmed [384] and a Collector appointed all which is respectfully submitted

Signed (R. Graves)
St Commr.

The Assessors of a Well and Pump in Goerck St. have received their Assessment. And after very maturely weighing the objections that were made are decidedly of opinion that no alteration can be made by them on said Assessment.

(Signed) John Targee
John Bedient
Abraham Dally

Whereupon the Assessment was confirmed and Morris Decamp appointed Collector

He also presented an Assessment for Paving Mercer Street from Howard to Prince Street which was confirmed and Morris De Camp appointed Collector.

He Also agreably to a resolution passed this evening presented an ordinance for laying Crosswalks. in the 4th ward at the intersections of Chatham and Duane Street, Chatham and Pearl Streets and at such others as shall be deemed necessary by the Alderman and Assistant thereof. [385] Which ordinance was passed and John Targee Benjamin Prince & John Brower were appointed Assessors

The Counsel presented the following in relation to opening Amity Street and the agreement with John Ireland.

The Counsel begs leave respectfully to inform the Board that by the agreement entered into by the Corporation & Mr John Ireland the Corporation are bound to indemnify him against all future Assessments for the expences of purchasing ground to extend or continue Said Street after it leaves his land that all the land lying in the rout

of Amity Street between Mr Irelands & the Sixth Avenue is still private property, that consequently if he conveys his land to the Corporation (which he is willing to do.) in pursuance of his contract that when the Assessment is laid for continuing the Street from thence to the Sixth Avenue that his property will be assessed for the improvement without any credit being allowed him for the ground ceded & as the Corporation are bound to indemnify from such assessments the Loss [386] will fall on them. To obviate this difficulty the Counsel has consulted the Attorney for Mr Ireland John L Lawrence Esq^{r} who has agreed that the Corporation may proceed in the Ordinary course by application to the Supreme Court. for the appointment of Commissioners to open the Street from the Northeasterly boundary of M^{r} Irelands land to the Sixth Avenue provided the Corporation will pay such sum as may be assessed upon him exclusive of what may be assessed on account of the house in pursuance of the Contract. over and above the sum *the sum* which may be credited him for his land which will be taken and if on the other hand any sum should be awarded him for his land over and above his benefit he will agree that the Commissioners may relinquish it for the purpose of lightening the Assessment upon others As the effect of this Arrangement will be to save the Corporation a considerable sum of Money the Counsel begs leave [387] respectfully to recommend the Board to adopt this method of carrying the improvement into effect.

(Signed) Ogden Edwards

Which was approved and the recommendations adopted

He also presented the following certificates of Sales which were directed to be executed

The Counsel respectfully submits for execution the following Certificates of property sold for Taxes and Assessments on the 12th of August last.

A Certificate to Samuel Norsworthy of all that Certain house and lot of ground Situate and lying in the fifth ward of the City of New York on the South side of Harrison Street between Greenwich St. and Washington Street sold for four years from 12th of August last Assessed as belonging to John Nicols.

Also a certificate to Nehemiah Brush of all that certain house and lot of ground situate in the 5th ward of the City of New York on the South Side of Hamilton St between Greenwich & Washington Streets [388] Sold for 5 years from the 12th of August last assessed as belonging to Peter Devoe

Also a Certificate to James Barrow of all that certain lot of land situate in the 5th ward of the City of New York on the north Side of Laight Street between Hudson and varick Street sold for seven years from 12th of August last Assessed as belonging to Major and Gillespie

Also a certificate to Charles Lawton of all that certain house and lot of Ground situate in the 6th ward of the City of New York on the West side of Orange Street between Grand and Hester Street sold for five years from 12th of August last assessed as belonging to John Morris

Also a Certificate to Isaac Thorne of all that certain lot of ground situate in the 8th ward of the city of New York on the East side of orange Street between Spring and Prince Streets sold for fifteen years from 12th of August [389] last assessed as belonging to J & T Gardner

Also a Certificate to Charles Lawton of all that Certain house and lot of ground situate in the 8th ward of the City of New York on the South side of Prince St. between Thompson and Sullivan Streets Sold for 5 years from 12th of August last Assessed as belonging to Robert Stewart.

Also a Certificate to Cornelius Cadle of all that certain lot of ground Situate in the 8th ward of the City of New York on the North Side of Watts Street between Sullivan and Varick Streets Sold for 7 years from 12th August last Assessed as belonging to S P. Lemoine.

Also a Certificate to James Barrow of all that certain house and lot of Ground situate in the 8th ward of the City of New York on the East side of Greenwich St. between Hamersly and Clarkson Streets sold for one year from the 12th of August last. Assessed as belonging to unknown owners

Also a Certificate to James Barrow of all that certain house and lot of ground situate [390] in the 8th ward of the City of New York on the East side of Greenwich St. at the corner of Clarkson St Sold for One year from the 12th of August last, Assessed as belonging to unknown owners.

Also a certificate to John E Mowatt of all that Certain lot of ground situate *and* [in] the 8th ward of the City of New York on the North Side of Reason Street between Herring St and Ludlows line Sold for 30 years from 12th August last, Assessed as belonging to Wm W Gilbert

Also a Certificate to Charles Lawton of all that certain house and lot of Ground Situate in the 5th ward of the City of New York on

the north Side of Jones Street between Herring Street and Ludlows line sold for five years from 12th of August last assessed as belonging to C. M. Day.

Also a Certificate to John E Mowatt of all that certain lot of ground situate in the 9th ward of the City [391] of New York at Kips Bay near land of G & R Waite Sold for 35 years from 12th of August last. Assessed as belonging to Joseph Horne

Also a Certificate to James Morange of all that certain house and two lots of ground Situate in the 9th ward of the City of New York at Kips Bay near land of John Gelston Sold for 5 years from 12th of August last. assessed as belonging to Uriah M Culhum

Also a Certificate to Isaac Wright of all those four certain lots of ground situate at Kips Bay in the 9th ward of the City of New York on Maria Street between Eliza and Cornelia Streets sold for 4 years from 12th of August last Assessed as belonging to James B Mower

Also a Certificate to Chas Lawton of all those Nine lots oi ground situate at Harlaem in the Ninth ward of the City of New York, in Waldrons Plot (So called) sold for 14 years from 12th August last assessed as belonging to Vogel & Kuyou

[392] Also a certificate to Peter Kennisson of all those 5 certain lots Situate at Harlaem in the 9th ward of the City of New York in Waldrons Plot so called sold for 18 years Assessed as belonging to Wm Uddall

Also a Certificate to Chas Lawton of all that certain house and 2 Lots of ground situate at Manhattanville in the Ninth ward of the City of New York near the land of T Bulkly sold for 5 years assessed as belonging to Wm Cullen

Also a Certificate to Charles Lawton of all those certain ten Acrres of Ground situate at Bloomingdale in the 9th ward of the City of New York on Somerindykes farm Sold for 5 years Assessed as belonging to J R Meyer.

Also a Certificate to Chas Lawton of all those certain two Houses and 8 acres of ground situate at Bloomingdale in the 9th ward of the City of New York [393] on the 8th Avenue sold for one year assessed as belonging to the estate of James Stewart.

Also a Certificate to James Jenkins of all those certain five acres of land situate at Bloomingdale in the 9th ward of the City of New York being No 172 on Map of Common lands Sold for 8 years— assessed as belonging to Thomas Winslow.

Also a Certificate to Peter Kenison of all that Certain house and lot of ground situate on Fits Roi road in the 9th ward of the City of New York near the 8th avenue Sold for 10 years assessed as belonging to Bernard Ryder

Also a Certificate to James Vincent of all that certain house and two lots of ground situate in the 9th ward of the City of New York on the North Side of Charles Street corner of Factory Street sold for 5 years. assessed as belonging to Daniel Lewis.

Also a Certificate to James Jenkins of [394] all that certain house and lot situate in the Ninth ward on the north Side of Charles St. between Herring and Hudson Streets Sold for 5 years Assessed as belonging to Thomas Blanch

Also a certificate to Isaac Thorne of all that certain house and lot situate in the 9th ward on the North side of Charles Street between Herring and Hudson Streets Sold for 3 years Assessed as belonging to Thomas Blanch

Also a certificate to James Jenkins, of all that certain house and lot of ground Situate in the 9th ward on the East side of Greenwich Street between Perry and Hammond Streets Sold for 5 years Assessed as belonging to Aaron Henry

Also a Certificate to Chas Mooney of all those two certain lots of ground situate in the 9th ward on the west side of Broadway between 11th & 12th Streets Sold for 7 years assessed as [395] belonging to James Lent.

Also a Certificate to James Jenkins of all those 2 Certain lots of ground situate in the 9th ward on the West side of Broadway on 13th Street—Sold for 8 years. Assessed as belonging to Wm McLaughlin

Also a Certificate to Joseph P Simpson of all that certain lot of ground in the 8th ward on the west side of Eldridge corner of Broome Streets Sold for 13 years Assessed as belonging to Thomas.

Also a certificate to John E Mowat of all that certain lot situate in the 10th ward of the City of New York on the East side of Eldridge Street between Pump and Hester Streets Sold for 9 years Assessed as belonging to John McKesson

Also a certificate to Joseph P Simpson of all that certain lot in the 10th ward on the East Side of Eldridge Street between Pump and Hester Streets sold for 8 years. Assessed as belonging to J McKesson.

[396] Also a Certificate to James Jenkins of all that certain lot in the 10th ward on the West side of Pitt Street between Broome

and Delancy Streets sold for years. Assessed as belonging to H Livingston

Also a Certificate to John E Mowatt of all that certain lot in the 10th ward on the West side of Pitt St. between Broome and Delancy Streets Sold for years assessed as belonging to H Livingston

Also a Certificate to Noah Brown of all those certain 4 lots in the 10th ward on the East side of Cannon Street between Stanton and North Streets sold for years assessed as belonging to A Pell

Also a Certificate to Noah Brown of All those 4 lots situate in the 10th ward on the South side of north Street between Columbia & Cannon Streets Sold for years Assessed as belonging to W Dawes.

[397] And Also a Lease to Robert Nicols of all those 4 lots in the Ninth ward at Manhattanville known on the ward map by Nos 140, 142, 144 & 146. assessed as belonging to the Estate of John D Miller

Respectfully Submitted

Signed Ogden Edwards.

The City Inspector presented the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances Vizt The City Inspector respectfully reports the following Ordinances for correcting nuisances

No 1	Mrs Bruce	Occupant	22	Greenwich St	A Privy
2	Rt Peckham	Do	24	Do	Do
3	James McCrea	"	33	"	"
4	Hy King	"	35	"	"
5	John Newell	"	41	"	"
6	Edward N Ebbetts	"	43	"	"
7	John Simonson	"	47	"	"
8	Abraham Ogden	"	52		"
9	P Freeman	"	54	"	"
10	H Beekman	"	60	"	"
11	A McComb	"	75	"	"
12	John Wilson	"	79	"	"
13	Wm Stewart	"	81	"	"
14	F Gebhart	"	91	"	"
15	J F [P] Whettlesy	"	93	"	"
16	Wm Swan	"	95	"	"
17	Thomas Gilbert		100	"	"
18	[398] K Stewart	Owner	101	"	"
19	F Salters	occupant	102	"	"
20	J Munson	Do	103	"	"
21	J Taylor	"	111	"	"
22	R Dyson	"	113	"	"
23	Phebe Patten	"	117	"	"
24	Peter Wilson	"	125	"	"

25	A H Lawrence	occupant	133	Greenwich St	A Privy
26	John Hancock	"	135	"	"
27	McMahon & Marshall		139		"
28	H Hinsdale	"	65	Cedar St	"
29	John Taylor	"	67	"	"
30	Js Hamilton	"	71	"	"
31	S Cooley.	"	14	Thames	"
32	T Sandford	"	19	"	"
33.	Mary Roberts	"	20	"	"
34	F Whitmill	"	21	"	"
35	Rt Shankland	"	22	"	"
36	John Dunscomb.	"	20	Lumber	"
37	John Whittlesy	"	26	Do	"
38	Mrs J Waterman	"	32	Do	"
39	Saml Ward	"	40	"	"
40	Geo Grubb	"	2	Albany	"
41	John Vanbeuren	"	125	Washington	"
42	James Many	"	127	"	"
43	Wm Brodie	"	5	Carlisle	"
44	Wm Buckmaster	"	6	Beaver lane	"
45	Miss Kinsey	"	5	Broadway	"
46	[399] Mrs Ann Kemble	"	19	"	"
47	John Kemble	"	17	Rector	"
48	Wm Buchanan	"	55	Washington	"
49	Mrs Melmouth	"	107	"	"
50	John McPherson	"		Beaver	"
51	James McCready	"	92	Bayard	"
52	John Freston	"		Chesnut [& Banker]	"
53	James Baily	"	*23*	[*26*] Greenh	A Lot
54	Joseph Dean	Owner		Fourth	do
55	Thomas Knox	"	56	Greenwh	do
56	Isaac Wigham	"		Grand [& Lawrens]	do
57	E L Winthrop	"		Bowery	do
58.	J McKnight	Occupant	*166*	[116] Lombardy	Privy

(Signed) George Cumming

Which were passed.

The Finance Commee to whom was referred the petition of Wm W Fisher.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Wm W Fisher who prays that he may not be compelled to pay for ground which he says is intended for an Airy and not for a Vault. Report.

that they believe the said ground is intended to be appropriated by the petitioner to the purposes of a Vault. [400] and they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted (Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
James Hall
John D. Brown
Hy J. Wyckoff

which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Noah Jarvis Morris De Camp & John G Betts, reported as follows

The Finance Commee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Morris De Camp N Jarvis & John G Betts, Collectors of Assessment,

Report.

That it appears. from the representations of the Petitioners that they have been employed by this Corporation, in the collection of interests & costs upon Assessments and that from these sources of [401] revenue they have collected considerable Sums of money which have been punctualy paid into the treasury without any deduction being made therefrom by the petitioners

The Memorialists further represent that in performing these duties they were subjected to additional labour and responsibility, arising from the unavoidable necessity of their being obliged to keep separate interest and cost accounts which were not contemplated by the original Assessment. For these various minute and troublesome services the Petitioners have never received any compensa and they therefore ask for such relief as may be thought equitable by this board

Your Committee are of the opinion that in all cases where this Corporation have confided to an individual the performance of a public trust, he ought to be suitably recompensed for its faithful execution

The following resolution is therefore respectfully recommended.

Resolved that two & a half per cent be allowed to the Said Collectors on all sums which they have collected for interest [402] on Assessments and for which they have not received any compensation and that the same rate per cent shall be given to them on all future collections they shall make of interest on Assessments.

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
James Hall
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Robert Warnock & others presented a Report which was referred back to the Committee with a view of giving persons interested in the Estate of Chas McCarter Deceased an opportunity of being heard on the subject.

The Same Committee on the petition of Higgins and Meserole Contractors for Street Manure reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Higgins Meserole & Company Report that [403] the Petitioners are the present contractors for Street Manure, that a part only of the term of their Contract has expired—that they nevertheless ask a deduction from the amount of it and they plead in support of this request that the interests & rights resulting to them from this agreement have been prejudiced by the prevalence of the late fever and the consequent shutting of the Streets in the lower part of the City

In discharging the duties which have from time to time been confided to the Committee they have considered and reported upon numerous applications for relief under the operation of Covenants with this Corporation and the circumstances disclosed in the progress of these inquiries have deeply impressed upon their minds the belief that the cases originating in contracts if there be any are extremely rare which they ought to recommend to the favorable interposition of this board Indeed considering the very vague and Scanty information which Your Committee can only obtain on these subjects but upon which their judgment must nevertheless [404] most commonly repose, they think there would be great danger of compromising the just Rights of this Corporation should such applicants be received with favour & relieved with facility— It is known that this Commee cannot compel persons to appear before them to testify on oath in the matter that may have been referred to them yet the exercise of this power is indispensable to enable them to arrive at a true state of the case and consequently to a just decision upon it. Your Commee it is true can enquire and may obtain What: not testimony but merely a knowledge of exparte representations. and these too from persons whose interest it is to deceive them Beside is it reasonable that while such contractors can and certainly will retain all the advantages that may accrue to them from their contracts they should nevertheless call upon this Corporation to indemnify them for losses arising from any of the numberless accidents to which the pursuits of individuals are constantly [405] exposed With respect to the Application now under review it is proper to observe that it does not seem to possess any such peculiar merit as to exempt it from the operation of these gen-

eral remarks If however this Contract should present a case which might ultimately deserve the favourable notice of the Common Council yet as it will not have expired until the first day of May 1824. it results of necessity that it cannot now be known whether the petitioners will lose or gain by it and hence that no relief ought at present to be granted to them

Experience has taught your Committee that the existing mode of removing manure &c from the Streets does not produce that degree of cleanliness which is so essential to the comfort and health of the inhabitants of this City: and they are of opinion that another and a better plan can and ought speedily to be adopted by this Board for the attainment of this desirable end it will be necessary that the present contract Should be annulled And with a view to the accomplishment of this salutary object your Committee [406] ask leave to submit the following resolution

Resolved that provided the said Petitioners shall on or before the second day of January next pay such part of the consideration money of their said Contract as shall then be due according to the time which shall have elapsed on that day. and shall also deliver the same to this Corporation for the purpose of being cancelled; that then a Warrant shall be issued in their favor for one thousand dollars.

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
James Hall
John D Brown
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board copies of letters which he had written to John Winslow Esqr Secretary of Board of Health of Boston & to Robert H Smith City [407] Commissioner at Philadelphia on the subject of Cleaning the Streets of those Cities together with their replies to his Letters which were severally referred to the Committee on the Communication of the Mayor respecting the Health of the City of which Aldn Mead is Chairman

The Special Committee on the subject of erecting a Statue to Genl Washington presented a report the consideration of which was postponed & was directed to be printed for the use of the members

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Carlos Beneditti reported as follows,

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition

of Carlos Beneditti praying that an error of the Assessors of the 3d ward might be corrected

Report

that the said Assessors have given a certificate which is hereunto annexed in which they set forth that they have made an error in the case above cited your Committee Respectfully offer the follow[g] [408] resolution

Resolved, that the Collector of the third ward receive from Carlos Beneditti a personal tax on thousand dollars and return the residue in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn Chn
Henry Mead
David Marsh
H. J. Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Edward K. Royston reported as follows

The Committee of Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Edward K. Royston praying that an error of the Assessors of the Eigth ward might be corrected

Report. that the Certificate of the Assessors [is] hereunto annexed from which your Committee form an opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted [and] Beg leave to offer the following [409] resolution Resolved that the Collector of the Eighth ward receive a personal tax from Edward K Royston on $200 and return the residue in the List of errors and insolvencies of said ward.

(Signed) Wm Thorn,
Henry Mead,
David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of John Roe reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of John Roe, praying to be relieved from a part of his personal tax

Report. that the Assessors of the 5th Ward have given a certificate which is hereunto annexed from which and other circumstances your Committee are of opinion that relief Ought to be granted respectfully offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Fifth ward receive from John Roe [410] a personal tax on $500 and that he return the residue in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry Mead
David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Peter Dustan reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Peter Dustan praying to be relieved from his personal tax in the 3d ward

Report that they have had his case under consideration and from the certificate of the Assessors of the 3d ward and other circumstances your Committee are of opinion that in this Case he is entitled to relief

Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the third ward refrain from Collecting the personal tax of Peter Dustan [411] and that he return the same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry Mead
David Marsh
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the report of the Chief Engineer on subject of new Engines for Companies No 6 & 34. reported as follows

The Committee on the Fire Department on the report of the Chief Engineer offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be requested to Build two new Engines of the usual size and with the necessary appendages for Companies No 6 & 34.

(Signed) David Seaman
James Hall
Robert McQueen

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[412] The Committee on Repairs on the account of the Superintendant of Repairs reported as follows

The Committee of Repairs and Comptroller Respectfully Report that they have examined the accounts of Jacob P. Roome the Superintendant of Repairs from May 3d to December 13 1822, and find that he has received by Warrants from the Corporation.	$20,472.28
For Sundry Articles Sold.....	155.05
Balance due Corpn on last Settlement and now Cr.....	8.14
	$20635.47
He has paid agreably to Vouchers produced 213 Accounts amount..	20596.64
Balance Due Corporation 13 Decr 1822.....	38.83

(Signed) Lewis Ford
William Thorn
G N. Bleecker Compt

Which was directed to be filed.

The Market Committee on the petition of Francis Oneal for permission to transfer Stall No 45 Fulton Market to Wm Patten reported as follows.

The Market Committee to Whom [413] was referred the petition of Francis Oneil butcher requesting permission to transfer his Stall No 45 Fulton Market to Wm Patten.

Report that in their Opinion no injury will result from granting the permission asked for they have however thought proper to recommend that the transfer should take place on condition that the whole rent be paid in advance or approved Security as it becomes due during the term for which it was rented

The[y] beg leave to offer the resolution

Resolved that Francis Oneil be permitted to transfer his Stand No 45 Fulton market to Wm Patten on condition that the whole rent be paid in advance or approved Security given for it. as it becomes due for the whole term for which it was rented.

Signed Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
Thomas Bolton
David Seaman

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[414] The Same Committee on the petition of Philip L Luff. Junr for Stall No 39 Washington Market, reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Philip L Luff. Junr butcher representing that he has served a regular

apprenticeship to the Butchers trade and has rented the Stand N° 39 Washington market and paid the rent for the Same he therefore prays he may licensed for the above stand

Report that they believe the above Statement to be true and that he is entitled to receive a license as a butcher they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that Philip L Luff Junr be licensed as a butcher for stand N° 39. Washington Market.

Signed Shivers Parker
James Fairlie
Elam Williams
Thomas Bolton
David Seaman

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[415] The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips presented the following report recommending the removal of John N Johnson from office of Inspector of Firewood & appointing Pierson Halstead & Charles Roe inspectors which was approved & the Resolutions adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips feel it their duty to state to the Board that in their opinion John N Johnson ought to be removed from the office of inspector of Fire Wood, under this impression they Submit (for consideration the following resolution.

Resolved that John N Johnson be and is hereby removed from the office of inspector of Fire Wood

(Signed) Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann
James Hall
Shivers Parker.
Elam Williams

The Committee recommend Pierson Halstead to fill the vacancy and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Pierson Halstead be and is hereby appointed an inspector [416] of Firewood, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of John N Johnson

Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann
Elam Williams
James Hall
Shivers Parker

The Committee are of opinion that there should be one additional

inspector appointed to the eleventh inspection District and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that Charles Roe be and is hereby appointed an inspector of firewood for the eleventh inspection District

(Signed) Wm H Ireland
James Hall
Elam Williams
Shivers Parker
Asa Mann.

Mr Parker presented a law for the amendment of the law respecting the Sale of Firewood which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

Mr Taylor presented the following [417] resolution Resolved that Amity Street be opened and extended from the North Easterly Side of the land of Mr John Ireland to the Sixth Avenue that the Counsel take legal measures to carry the Same into effect and that the Mayor be authorised to affix the Common Seal to a petition to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commrs of Estimate and Assessment during the recess of the Board which was adopted

Mr Parker agreably to notice given at the last meeting moved that the Board now reconsider the Vote taken on the Report of the Street Committee respecting the opening of Dover Street; the remonstrance of G Dietrich & others & James C Roosevelt were read—Upon the question being taken Whether the board should reconsider, the votes wer[e] 10 in the Affirmative and 9 in the Negative the Mayor gave his vote in the Negative which making an equality of Votes the motion of Reconsideration was not agreed to. the Ayes and Noes having been called the members voted as follows.

[418] Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald. Wyckoff Fairlie Paulding McQueen Taylor. Messrs. Bolton, Ireland, Parker, Reynolds 10

Negative His Honor the Mayor Ald. Williams Hall Mann Mead Messrs Harper Brown Thorn Marsh Seaman 10.

Mr Thorn presented the following which was adopted.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner cause the Road from the Hall up Chatham St to the Bowery up the Bowery to the third Avenue up said Avenue to Harlaem Bridge to be measured and Mile Stones put up

He also presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that the Committee on Public Offices examine the measures used for measuring Potatoes and other vegetables and report whether some more equitable measures cannot be adopted

Ald. Wyckoff presented the [419] following which was adopted

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be instructed to enquire and report to this board their opinion as to the expediency of so amending the law to regulate the lying of vessels at the Public Wharves and in the Slips and to establish the rates of Wharfage as to confine the powers of regulating vessels to one person with power to appoint an Assistant

Mr Parker presented the following which was adopted

Resolved that the several public markets of this City be closed on Wednesday next the 25th instant that Day being Christmas and that the Market be kept open all the preceding day.

The following was presented by Alderman Hall.

Resolved that the Ald. & Assist. of the 4th ward be authorised to have Cross walks or Stepping Stones laid at the intersections of Chatham & Pearl Street also at the intersection of Chatham and Duane Street and at such place [420] in the 4th Ward as may be agreable to the inhabitants thereof and that the St. Commr be instructed to report an ordinance accordingly Which was approved & the Street Commr reported an ordinance agreably thereto Which was passed & John Targee Benjamin Prince & John Brower were appointed Assessors therein.

The following was presented by Ald. Paulding and was adopted

Resolved that the Street Commr is hereby required to have the Side Walks laid on the West side of Varick St. from North Moore to Beach Street

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 9th inst	$72.95
Received for tax 1, 2, 3, 8 & 10th wards	11500.
" Rents	3083. 9
" Streets	2407.17
" Fines from Sheriff	80.12
	$17143.33

39 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st Distt	$813.75
[421] Hibberd & Clark Watch 2nd Dist	645.75
Bleakly & Brower Do 3d "	624.75
S Lewis flags side walks, Watch house Prince & Wooster st	242.89
Stephen Allen Mayor 1 Qr Salary 12 inst	750.
Wm S Smith Collector City Revenue 1 Qr 12	250.
Ogden Edwards Counsellor 1 Qr	100.
J Morton index 44th Volume minutes and Hack Hire paid	133.50
Wm Gee Posting bills for St Comr	56.

N Bartlett 1 Qr rent Court Room 4, 6, ward 1 nov.....	$25.
Hugh Maxwell Dist atty 1 Qr Salary.....	750.
John G Betts Assesmt Well and pump Prince n Mercer.....	2.50
J Pinkerton acct pavg side walks Allen fr Grand to Stanton.....	350.
Thompson Price act buildg Sewr Fly Market St.....	300.
H Smith Acct flagging side walks Great Jones & Bond Streets.....	250.
J Baily act regg & pavg Christie from Broome to Delancy St.....	150.
Thomas Cumming Act. regulatg & repavg Old Slip.....	150.
J Mehan Act regg & repg Elm from Broome to Spring st.....	100.
H Smith acct regg & repg Fly Market St.....	100.
J Culbert act do " do Courtlandt Alley from Franklin to White	100.
C Mooney bal. buildg Sewer in Cedar fr Lumber to river.....	99.13
C Mooney bal do do Thames St do do	174.59
H Smith acct regug & repavg Broome fr Thompson to Sullivan St..	90.
H Smith bal do Broome from Mercer to thompson.....	867.87
H Smith do do Thompson fr Broome to Spring.....	84.45
H Smith do do Lispenard St fr Church to BWay.....	48.83
R Ferguson Carting Earth from McDougal to Greene Bleecker & Houston St.....	42.09
[*421] H Smith repairing Sundry Intersections of Streets.....	28.98
Thomas Cummings filling lot corner of Herring & Downing Streets Lien	130.96
G Ireland and Associates for valuation of building proposed to be taken for new line of Beekman St.....	60.
M De Camp Assessmt for pavg South St from Arundel to Peck St..	196.41
J Pinkerton flagging and pavg at Washington Market.....	514.72
G Pettigrew 1st paymt Well Desbrosses nr Hudson Street.....	20.58
G Tucker & Thomas Woodruff act buildg Wall at Battery.....	3000.
E Clason 144 tons of Gravel at Do	90.
F B Winthrop Treasurer City Dispensary Annual Donation.....	500.
J P Roome Supt of Repairs Iron Work new mud machine.....	627.75
J. P. Roome do for Repairs.....	400.
J. P. Roome do for Pump Departmt.....	313.
Hickson Wilson 3d installmt buildg Watch House corner Prince & Wooster St.....	875.
	$13183.52
Balance	$3084.81

Board adjourned

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

[422] In Common Council Dec 28th 1822

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	John L Brown
Wm Paulding Junr	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Nathaniel Reynolds
Jacob B Taylor	
Henry Mead	

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

It was resolved that the reading of the petitions be dispensed with and they laid over for the new Board.

A communication of Messeroles & Higgins Contractors of Street Manure in reply to the report of the Finance Committee on their petition was presented read and [423] *and* laid on the table for consideration

A letter from Josiah Hedden one of the Police Justices stating that one Joshua Degrauf residing at Kingston Ulster County had committed a Forgery by which he had defrauded a number of Merchants in this city of large quantities of goods that it was essential to Justice that said Degraw Should be apprehended but that no funds were at the disposal of the *disposal of the* Police for that purpose & recommending that an appropriation Should be made by the Board to enable them to send a person to apprehend said felon Whereupon the same was referred to the Police Committee with authority

The Counsel presented the following

The Counsel begs leave to inform the board that in pursuance of their order Commissioners have been appointed by the Supreme Court for the purpose of closing that part of Orange Street which lies [424] North of Prince Street and also for the purpose of extending and opening Orange Street upon a new line for the purpose of enabling the Commissioners to take notice of the Agreement which the Counsel understands to have been made verbally between the Corporation and Mr Brasher relative to the premises the Counsel has prepared the draught of an agreement which has been submitted to Mr Brasher and approved by him

The agreement with Mr Brasher as the Counsel understands it, is that upon the confirmation of the Report of the Commissioners the

Corporation will convey to him that part of Orange Street which it is contemplated to Close upon his paying them such sum of money as they may be required to pay for it the agreement Submitted as far as it goes is in conformity with agreements entered into between the Corporation and Certain Proprietors of Ground adjoining that part of Fayette St Which was closed. The object of executing it will be to guard the Corporation against any Loss in any event [425] on account of the premises and will also relieve the report of the Commissioners from unnecessary complexity.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Ogden Edwards

Whereupon the agreement was directed to be executed.

The Counsel presented for execution a petition to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the Case of Dover Street which was directed to be duly authenticated

The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for paving a Side walk in Varick St. from North Moore to Beach Street which was passed and Isaac Kip James Bleecker & Francis Peckwell were appointed Assessors.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the resolution proposed the last meeting by Ald. Wyckoff respecting an amendm[t] [426] to the Law in relation to vessels lying in the Public Slips reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed resolution beg leave to report that the State law defining the powers and duties of the Harbour masters appear to be such as in some degree to clash with the ordinances of this Board and as it is in the opinion of the Committee both necessary and proper that the Vessels frequenting the Public Docks and Slips should be solely under the direction and controul of the Mayor and Corporation of the City your Committee therefore recommend that application be made to the Legislature for an explanatory act giving the board the right exclusively to regulate and direct the moving and laying of all vessells frequenting the public Wharves and Slips

(Signed) W[m] H Ireland
Elam Williams
James Hall
Shivers Parker
Asa Mann

Which was approved and the Counsel was [427] directed to report a memorial to the Legislature agreably thereto & a corresponding bill to be enacted into a Law.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Vanderlyn praying to be relieved from the tax assessed upon the Rotunda reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of John Vanderlyn who prays that he may be exempted from the payment of taxes on the Rotunda

Report

that the ground on which this building has been erected at the expence of the Petitioner belongs to this Corporation that they leased it to him for the term of Nine years from the 1st of May 1817. that no rent except only the nominal one of a pepper corn yearly has been reserved: nor is the Lessee bound by his lease to pay any taxes or Assessments on this property but the Same will at the expiration [428] of the lease belong to this Corporation It is obvious therefore that the taxes and Assessments which have been or may be imposed upon this establish*ed* [ment] ought not to be paid by the Petitioner the following resolution is respectfully Submitted

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner is hereby granted.

(Signed) Wm Paulding. Junr
Wm H Ireland
John D. Brown
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of John Cregier requesting further time for payment of rent due from him reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of John Cregier who requests that he may be allowed until the next Spring for the payment of rent Report

that the Petitioner is a lessee of this Corporation at the annual ground rent of $105 that on the 1st day of November last he owed for the same $399.75. or nearly four times the amount of [429] yearly rent the following resolution is therefore respectfully Submitted

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner is unreasonable and

ought not to be granted and that the Comptroller take the proper measures for the recovery of the said rent.

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
William H. Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom had been referred back their Report on the petition of Robert Warnock & others praying leave to assign their lease presented a report confirming their first Report the first report was as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of Robert Warnock & others lessees of this Corporation praying for leave to assign their lease to Patrick Gartlan

Report that the petitioners [430] seems reasonable to your Committee & they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that leave is hereby given to the petitioners to assign their said lease to the said Patrick Gartlan

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Wm H Ireland
John D. Brown
James Hall
Henry J Wyckoff.

the Second report was as follows.

The Finance Committee having in pursuanc of the directions of this Board reconsidered the annexed petition beg leave again to submit the within Report to this Common Council

Signed Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Wm H. Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall

Whereupon the Resolution proposed in the first report was adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Joseph Oliver reported As follows

[431] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Oliver Report.

That the Petitioner is an assignee without the consent of this corporation of Thomas Gender who is the present lessee of Cellar N° 6

Fulton market; and who has assigned the said lease to the said Joseph Oliver that the memorialist requests he may be permitted to surrender the lease so assigned to him or that this board will reduce the rent reserved by the same to less than one half of its present yearly amount Your Committee offer the following resolution Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted.

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
John D Brown
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[432] The Same Committee on the petition of James Machin reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition of James Machin Report.

That the Petitioner requests payment for regulating and paving Hubert Street that the Assessment for this work was confirmed in the month of July last that nearly the whole amount of it remains uncollected and that the ground upon which it has been laid, has not been advertised for sale for the purpose of discharging the same It is proper here to remark that all contractors for regulating and paving Streets are by the conditions of their agreements to be recompenced in proportion as the assessments for their labour shall have been from time [to time] received by the Corporation and not until the ground so assessed shall have been advertised for sale are they paid the balance of their demands To the literal import of these agreements your Committee have generally conformed in their reports upon complaints growing out of them [433] They are nevertheless aware of the prejudicial operation of this rigid construction upon the interest of such Contractors This prejudice proceeds from delays not contemplated by an Ordinance of this Common Council regulating the collection of Assessments. By the first section of this law the collector of any Assessment is directed to make his final return to the Street Commissioner of the amount uncollected thereon on or before the expiration of Sixty days after the same was confirmed And the same Section requires the Street Commissioner in all cases where the Collectors have made such returns to make a return of such delinquents to the Common Council to the end that they may take orders for advertising the same

For the effectual execution of these duties it does not appear to your Committee that more than three months would be required nevertheless according to the principles, assumed [434] in the adjustment of these contracts six nine and twelve months not unfrequently elapse before they are finally settled This habitual delay is a fruitful source of complaint to those who conceive themselves aggrieved by it yet the remedy for this evil is obvious ample means to enforce a prompt Collection of Assessments are place[d] at the disposal of those persons who are charged with a superintendance of that duty. A strict compliance with the provisions of law on this subject would remove all just cause of complaint on the part of such contractors Contracts might probably then be procured on better terms And in the judgement of this committee the fiscal operations of this board would in that event be relieved from some of the embarrassments to which they are casually exposed

In the present instance little more than five months have elapsed since the assessment for this labour was confirmed and the property so assessed has not yet been advertised for sale It appears therefore that the Petitioners case is [435] not within the prescribed time for payment and consequently that he is not entitled [to] any immediate relief. Your Committee respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not at present to be granted

(Signed) Wm Paulding Junr
Henry J Wyckoff
John D Brown
James Hall
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted. The Clerk was directed to furnish to the Collectors of the Corporation assessments, a copy of the said report.

The Market Committee on the petition of George Thompson for Stall No 7, Catharine market reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of George Thompson butcher for a grant of stand No 7 Catherine market at present [436] held by Timothy Cornell, who is willing to give it up to the said Thompson

Report. that the said cornwell has given his consent in writing in favour of the above applicant and also surrendered up his license Your Committee believe no injury will result to the public in

granting the above stand as asked for they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that George Thompson be licensed as a butcher for Stand N° 7, Catherine Market.

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Elam Williams
James Fairlie
Thomas Bolton

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Finance Committee of the 9th instant on the petitions of Owners of Grand S^{t} praying the removal of Essex Market presented a report which was read and laid on the table.

[437] The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips presented the following

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips respectfully submit the annexed draft of an Ordinance for the consideration of the Board

(Signed) W^{m} H Ireland
Elam Williams
James Hall
Shivers Parker
Asa Mann

The Law proposed was read by Paragraphs & passed under the title of " A Law to amend a law entitled A Law to regulate the sale of Fire Wood for the appointment of Inspectors thereof and for the division of the City into Inspection districts

The Special Committee to whom had been referred the communication of his Honor the Mayor in relation to the Health of the City presented a report of having made progress in the subjects referred to them and as part of their report they [438] submitted for the consideration of the Board ' A Law respecting the Interment of the Dead Whereupon the said report was directed to lie on the table & together with the law to be printed for the use of the members.

Mr Ireland presented a resolution directing the building of one or more Mud Scows under the direction of the Committee of Wharves Piers & Slips which was read and laid on the table

Board adjourned to Monday next at ½ past 11 O.Clock.

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[440] In Common Council Dec^{r} 30th 1822

Present The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq^{r} Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elam Williams	Samuel B Harper
James Fairlie	W^{m} H Ireland
James Hall	Shivers Parker
W^{m} Paulding Jun^{r}	W^{m} Thorn
Robert McQueen	David Marsh
Asa Mann	Nathaniel Reynolds
Jacob B Taylor	David Seaman
Gerard De Peyster	
Henry Mead	

The Board met agreably to adjournment the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

This being the day prescribed by law for the persons elected to office at the last Charter Election to take the oaths prescribed by the Charter & to enter upon their official duties the return made to this Board on the 25th [441] of Nov^{r} last by John L Broome Clerk of the City and County of New York of the persons elected at the said Charter Election was called up and read and the persons therein named attending agreably to the notice given by order of the Board they severally took the oaths of their respective offices which was duly administered to them by the Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor of said City.

The newly elected members of the Common Council then took their seats and the Board was formed and the following business was transacted.

The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq^{r} Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
James Fairlie	W^{m} H Ireland
James Hall	Samuel Cowdrey
George Zabriskie	John Webb
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	W^{m} Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Jacobus Dyckman	George S Doughty
Henry Mead	George Downing

[442] The following rules & Orders for the government of the Common Council in the conduct of business were adopted.

1st Upon the appearance of Five Aldermen and five Assistants, the Mayor or in his absence the Recorder shall take the chair as president and the members be called to order.

2nd Immediately after the President shall have taken the Chair, the minutes of the preceeding meeting shall be read by the Clerk to the end that any mistakes therein may be corrected by the board

3d the President Shall preserve order and decorum and shall decide questions of order subject to an appeal to the board

4th The President shall in all cases be entitled to one vote and no more.

5th Every member previous to his speaking shall rise from his seat and address himself to the President

6th When two or more members shall rise at once the President shall name the member who is first to Speak

7th No person Shall Speak more than twice to the same question without leave of the Board, nor more than once until [443] every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

8th No question on a motion shall be debated or put unless the same be seconded. When a motion is seconded it shall be stated by the President before debate and every such motion shall be reduced to writing if any member desires it

9th After a motion is stated by the President it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Board but it may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment.

10th When a question is under debate no motion shall be received unless 1st To amend it, 2d To commit it 3d to postpone it 4th For the previous question or 5th To adjourn

11th A motion to adjourn shall always be in order and shall be decided without debate

12th The previous question until it is decided shall preclude all amendments and debate of the main question and shall be in this form—Shall the main question now be put."

13th Every member who shall be present when a [444] question is put shall vote for, or against the Same, unless the board shall excuse him or unless he be immediately interested in the question in which case he shall not vote.

14th A member called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain, and the Board if appealed to, shall decide on the Case but without debate if there be no appeal the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to

15th All questions shall be put in the order they are moved except that in filling up blanks the largest sum and the longest time shall be first put.

16th Upon a division of the Board the names of those who vote for and those who vote against the question shall be entered upon the minutes if any two members require it

17th In all divisions taken by the Board it shall be the duty of the Clerk to enter upon the minutes the name of the member calling for the division

18th no motion for reconsideration shall be in order unless made at the same meeting or in pursuance of notice then given [445] for the next meeting after that on which the decision proposed to be reconsidered took place except by unanimous consent.

19th All appointments of officers shall be made by ballot, unless dispensed with by the unanimous consent of the Board, and a majority of the whole number of votes shall be necessary to constitute a choice.

20th No member shall absent himself without permission from the president

21st All Committees shall be appointed by the president unless otherwise ordered by the Board. Committees appointed to report on any subject referred to them by the Board shall report a state of facts, and also their opinion thereon in writing and no report shall be received unless the same be signed by a majority of the Committee

22nd Whenever the doors are directed to be closed all persons excepting the members and the Clerk of the Common Council shall retire

23d His Honor the Mayor shall [446] be a member of all Standing Committees provided always that it shall not be necessary for him to sign any report and the majority of the members of any such committee exclusive of the Mayor shall be sufficient to pass a resolution.

24th A motion for the order of the day shall take precedence of all other motions and is to be considered immediately after the reading of petitions and original communications.

25th Every petition remonstrance or other written application intended to be presented to the Common Council, is to be delivered to the Mayor or to any other member of the board on any day but not later than four o clock on the day on which the Common Council convenes except on extraordinary occasions. And the Mayor or

other member to whom it shall be given shall examine the same and endorse thereon the name of the applicant and the substance of such application and sign his name thereto which endorsement only shall be read by the President [447] unless a member shall require the whole to be read.

26 The Standing Committees shall be as follows.

1	Applications for offices	11	Laws
2	Applications to Legislature	12	Markets
3	Assessments	13	Police
4	Arts & Sciences	14	Public lands & places
5	Canal	15	Public Offices
6	Charity	16	Repairs
7	Ferries	17	Road
8	Finances	18	Streets
9	Fire Department	19	Watch
10	Lamps	20	Wharves Piers & Slips

Those on Applications for office arts & Sciences, Ferries, Fire department, Lamps Laws, Repairs and Charity shall [448] Consist of three and the others of five Upon reading the 25th Rule alderman Mann moved that the same be stricken out of the Rules the question being taken thereon it passed in the negative the Ayes & Noes having been called for by Ald Mann, the members voted as follows.

Negative Mr Recorder Ald Wyckoff King Fairlie Hall Zabriskie McQueen Taylor Dyckman Mead Messrs Bolton St John Ireland Webb Doughty 15

Affirmative Ald. Mann Mr Cowdrey Parker Thorn Marsh Downing. 6.

His Honor the Mayor proceeded to appoint the Standing Committees for the ensuing year as follows.

[449]

Applications for office
Mr Marsh
Doughty
Ald. Dyckman

Assessments
Mr Thorn
Doughty
Ald. Zabriskie
Mead
Wyckoff

Arts & Sciences
Ald. McQueen
Wyckoff
Mr Webb.

Finance
Ald Hall
Zabriskie
Wyckoff
Mr Ireland
Cowdrey.

Fire Department
Ald. Wyckoff
" Hall
" McQueen

Lamps
Mr Cowdrey
Ireland
Ald Fairlie

Canals
Mr Downing
Webb
Parker
Ald. McQueen
Taylor

Charity
Ald Mead
Mr Bolton
Thorn

Ferries
Ald Zabriskie
" Mann
" King

[450] Public lands & Places
Mr St John
Ald McQueen
" Dyckman
" Fairlie
" Mead

Public Offices
Ald King
" Taylor
Mr Cowdrey
" Thorn
" Downing

Repairs
Mr Webb
Thorn
Downing

Roads
Ald Dyckman
King
Taylor
Mr Marsh
Parker

Streets
Ald Taylor
" Mann
Mr St John
" Ireland
" Marsh

Laws
Ald. Fairlie
Mr Cowdrey
Bolton

Markets
Mr Parker
Bolton
Marsh
St John
Webb

Police
Mr Bolton
Downing
St John
Doughty
Ald Mead.

Watch
Ald Mann
Hall
Zabriskie
Webb
Doughty

Wharves Piers & Slips
Mr Ireland
" Parker
Ald Mann
" Hall
" King.

Special Committee
Battery
Ald Wyckoff
Mann
Zabriskie
Mr Ireland
Downing

Water
The Mayor
Ald Wyckoff
King
Mead
Mr Cowdrey,

[451] Alderman Mann moved that there be also added to the Standing committees one on Applications to the Legislature to consist of 5 members which was agreed to & the Mayor stated that he would at the next meeting appoint the members of that Committee.

A Petition from the inhabitants of Manhattanville that an Inspector

of Firewood be appointed for that village & recommending for that office Abraham Van Osdall was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Thomas G Harrison for Stall N° 12 in Centre market lately occupied By John R Baisley dec^{d} was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Abigail Blakely for permission to exchange the cellar under Fulton market now held by her for N° 18 lately occupied by Mr Prior was referred to the Comptroller.

[452] A memorial of Richard Wilcox stating that he has invented a machine to prevent the accumulation of filth in the docks & Slips wihch will produce a revenue to the Board & will save the expences incident to the employment of the mud Machine & requesting his invention may be examined was referred to the Comm^{ee} on wharves Piers & Slips

A Memorial was received from Frederick Biemler stating that he had invented a machine of great power tho' easily worked, for raising water either for conveying to Cities or by applying it to a Fire Engine which being read was referred to the Committee on the Fire department

The report of the Market Committee on the subject of Selecting a site for Essex market presented to the Board at their last meeting & laid on the table was called up & ref^{d} to the Finance Comm^{ee}

A Petition of William H Smith Clerk of the Assistant Justices Court of 4th district comprising the 7 & 10th wards for [453] a reappointment to that office was ref^{d} to the Committee on Applications

A Memorial of Cary Dunn soliciting the appointment of Assistant Justice to the 2nd district court comprising the 5th & 8th wards was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Memorial of the trustees of the Free School Society of N. York requesting the Corporation to sanction a petition they intend to present to the Legislature for the repeal of a Law passed at the last Session entitled "An Act to relieve the Baptist Bethel Church in the City of New York. this clause allows the trustees of said Church to apply the School monies which shall remain in their hands after payment of Teachers to the instruction of School masters & to the erection of Buildings this they consider improper as monies derived from the public purse are thereby appropriated to the use of a private Society— The same [454] having been read was laid on the table

A Communication from the Reverend Mr Stanford on the subject his mini[s]terial duties during the past year & exhibiting the moral con-

ditions of the inmates of the Alms House Penitentiary & Bridewell was read and referred to the Finance Commᵉᵉ

The following resolution presented at the last meeting & laid on the table was called up amended & adopted

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be and they are hereby authorised to take measures for building one Mud Scow of such description and in such manner as in their opinion may be adopted for the purpose intended

Resolved that the newly elected members be furnished under the direction of the Finance Commᵉᵉ with a copy of the laws of the State A map of the City The Laws and ordinances of the Corporation & with a copy of the Charter of the City and that each of the other members of [455] the Board be supplied with a map of the City

The petition of Stephen Gould to supply the Laws of the Corporation to the members presented on the 17th instant and laid on the table was now referred to the Same Committee

It was referred to the Superintendant of Repairs to furnish Staves of office to the newly elected members.

[456] In Common Council January 6 1823.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqʳ Recorder.

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St. John
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	Samuel Cowdrey
George Zabriskie	John Webb
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Jacobus Dyckman	George S Doughty
Henry Mead	George Downing

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved

His Honor the Mayor stated that upon conversing with several members of the Board as also with Several law officers of the City it was deemed prudent & proper as several new powers had been delegated to the Common Council by the new Constitution that the several members of the [457] Board should take the Oath prescribed by the constitution He added that he had been furnished with an opinion on the subject by Mr Ulshoeffer atty of the Board corresponding therewith which he read and it was directed to be filed Whereupon

Ald. King moved that the oath prescribed by the Constitution should be administered to the Several Members which was agreed to—Accordingly the Oath prescribed by the Constitution was taken and subscribed by Richard Riker Esq[r] Recorder and all the members composing the Board as above stated administered by the Mayor—Ald. Fairlie rose in his place and stated that as by the Constitution Authority was given to the Common Council to appoint the Mayor of the City he presumed this was a proper period to exercise that authority & he therefore moved that the Board now proceed to the appointment. The motion being seconded & the question taken thereon [458] it was carried in the affirmative

Mr Allen the Present Mayor then left the Chair which was taken by the Recorder—Ald Fairlie observed that as it was an important appointment he thought that the usages of other Public bodies on such occasions should be now observed and that tellers Should be appointed who in conjunction with the President Should Count the ballots He therefore made a motion to that effect which was agreed to & Ald Mead & Mr Bolton were appointed by the President—Tellers. The board then proceeded to elect a person to fill the office of Mayor when upon counting the ballots the President & Tellers reported there were twenty one ballots the number of Members present that upon examining the Same there were Nineteen Ballots for Stephen Allen & two blanks & that therefore Stephen Allen was duly elected.

Ald. Fairlie then presented the following Resolution which was adopted Resolved that Stephen Allen be and he is hereby appointed Mayor of the City of New York

[459] It was then moved that a Committee be appointed to wait upon Mr Allen to inform him of his Election & to conduct him to the Common Council Chamber which was agreed to & the Recorder appointed as a Committee Ald Fairlie & Ald. Wyckoff those Gentleman accordingly waited upon Mr Allen & conducted him to the Common Council Chamber. He there in the presence of the Common Council took & subscribed the oaths prescribed by the Constitution which were administered by his Honor the Recorder The Mayor elect was then conducted to the Chair by the Committee which was resigned to him by the Recorder & after a few appropriate observations he took his Seat & the following business was transacted

A petition of Effingham W Marsh to obtain his former Stall N° 55 Fulton market was referred to the Market Committee.

A petition of W[m] S Ross praying that [460] the Side walks in Anthony Street between Collect & Little Water Street may be paved

& a Vacant lot belonging to the Corporation in said Street be fenced in was read & referred to the Street Commee

A petition of Wm Cahoone for relief from a tax assessed upon him he in fact not being possessed of any property was referred to the Committee on Assessmts

A Petition of John C Stevens of N York & Robert S Stevens of Hoboken N Jersey was received Stating that they are Lessees of the Corporation of the Ferry from Barclay St. to Hoboken that some time about the 23d of August 1821 a Resolution passed the Board granting to the Petitioners under certain conditions the rights to establish a Team boat ferry from the Vicinity of Spring St. basin to Hoboken which resolution has not yet been acted on that they consider a Steam boat as infinitely preferable on that ferry to a team boat and tho' more expensive they would place one on *on* it provided they had the Sanction of the Corporation therefor [461] but having established a Steam boat on Barclay Street ferry a prosecution has been commenced against them therefor by the N. Y. Jersey Steam boat company but they are well satisfied that from the Charter of the City the Corporation possess the exclusive right of granting the right of Ferries to Steam boats or boats propelled in any manner that is not secured or prohibited by a patent from the U States They therefore pray that a grant may be made to them by the Corporation of the right to a Ferry from Spring Street to Hoboken & to place thereon a Steam boat which being read was referred to the Ferry commee

A Petition of Sundry inhabitants of Chamber St that a pump at the North West corner of Chamber St & Church Street may be removed that the flagging opposite to No 89 & 91 may be raised & the passage across Church St be flagged which being read was referred to the Alderman [462] & Assistant of the 5th Ward

A Petition from the Reverend Wm Harris praying relief from a personal tax assessed on him from which as a minister of the Gospel he is by law exempt was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A petition of Smith & Maintain lessees of Cellar No 7 under Fulton market Stating that from unforeseen Circumstances they had failed in their business and were unable to pay their debts & praying they may be permitted to Surrender their lease was referred to the Finance Committee

A further petition of Morgan Lewis & others praying that the Corporation would make application to the Legislature for an alteration of the plan of the City as described in the Map of the Commissioners

for laying out Streets & Roads so as to reduce the width of the Short Avenues A, B, C & D, to abolish the [463] Market place so as to restore to the owners the right of Property therein & to abolish so much of first Street as extends to the East of the first Avenue and so much of Second Street as extends to the East of Avenue C, which being read was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of John Pinkney for appointment of Inspector of Firewood was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of James Brown for relief from fine for selling liquor without license was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of W^m^ Agnew for permission to use a part of the side walk opposite his Store N^o^ 282 Front Street during the Flaxseed Season was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the ward

A Remonstrance of W^m^ Carver [464] against the appointment of the present Police officers and a complaint of their Conduct to him was referred [to] the Committee on Public offices.

The following petitions for appointment to offices were presented read and referred to the Committee on Applications

of Jacob Wright for appointment as Street Insp^r^

of Josiah Shippey Jun^r^ for some office under the board

of John G Betts for appointment of Special Justice

of John Bartine for appointment of Inspector of Weights & Measures

of Joseph P Simpson for appointment of Special Justice

A Petition of Timothy Davey for appointm^t^ of Clerk of Police office

A Petition of John Campbell for app^t^ as Clerk to one of the Assistant Justices Courts

A Petition of Judah Hammond Esq^r^ [465] for reappointment to the office he now holds that of Assistant Justice of the Court composed of the District of the 1^st^ 2^nd^ & 3^rd^ Wards.

A Pet. of Joshua L Pell for reappoint^t^ to the office he now holds as Clerk of the Assistant Justices Courts of the District composed of the 1, 2 & 3^d^ Wards

A Petition of Harris Scovell Esq^r^ for reappointment to the office *of* he now fills of Assistant Justice of the Court of the 7^th^ & 10^th^ Wards

A Petition of Eli[s]ha Morrill for appointment of Assistant Justice of the 4^th^ & 6^th^ wards. courts

A Petition of Inhabitants in the vicinity for the filling up of the

wharf at the foot of Roosevelt Street was referred to the Alderman & assistant of the 4th ward.

[466] A Petition of Peter Smith that the time for filling up his lot corner of Green & Bleecker Street may be extended to the first of May next was referred to the Street Commee

A Petition of Nathaniel Gray to be relieved from a Judgement. recovered against him for Non Payment of Excise license for which he is now imprisoned was referred to the Police Committee with powers

A Petition of Sundry dealers in Iron Mongery complaining of the practices of Persons hawking & Pedling Articles of Ironmongery in the Street and requesting a law may be passed restraining them was read and referred to the Committee on Public offices

A Memorial of the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church remonstrating against the Proposed law respecting Interments was read & laid on the table

A Memorial of the New York & Jersey Steam boat Ferry Company stating that [467] they have been prosecuted for rent praying a suspension of the suit & requesting a hearing on the subject of reducing the rent—was read & referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of J Van Nostrand stating that he has a quantity of Flaxseed lying in the open space in front of Albany basin & soliciting permission to let the same remain there a short time was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward with authority.

A Petition of John Chivvis lessee of Stall N° 52 Washington market praying on account of his poverty a remission of the rent due was referred to the Market Committee.

A Complaint of Isaac Valentine lessee of Hay Scale at Gouverneurs slip against the Attorney of the Corporation that he will not commence a suit for him &c was [468] referred to the Commee on Public offices.

A Memorial of the trustees of the Bethel Free School in the City in reply to the Free School Society of New York presented at the last meeting was read The Memorial of the trustees of the Free School Society which had been laid on the table was called up & with the memorial of the Trustees of the Bethel Free School was referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

An Account of George B Raymond for expenses in arresting Joshua De Graff charged with a Felony amounting to $74^{87}/_{100}$ & certified to be correct by Josiah Hedden Justice of Police & by Thomas Bolton Chairman of the Police Comee was presented and it was ordered that a Warrant issue for payment of the Same.

A letter from Judah Hammond Esq[r] accompanied by a law respecting the Justices Courts authorising them to [469] affix seals to precepts & to receive certain fees to be paid into the City Treasury was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A Further Petition from J Hammond on subject of holding one of the Justices Courts in the City Hall & of abolishing some of the Courts in order to diminish the expence to the City was read and referred to the Same Committee

A note was received from Isaac Collins in behalf of the society for prevention of Pauperism transmitting for the use of the Members of the Corporation copies of the Report on the Penitentiary system of the United States.

The following were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies.

Hook & Ladder Company

N° 4.

William Lewis Butcher Hester St[t] vice Samuel Maynard resigned

[470] Engine Company N 26.

W[m] Sherwood Merchant 166. Division St
vice Jameson Cox app[d] Engineer.

N° 24.

Amaziah Hubbs Merchant. Fly market vice John Whaley resigned

N° 12

Robert Brown morocco dresser Chesnut St.
vice Daniel Berrian Resigned

N° 16.

Thomas Hopper Cooper 59 Anne Street
Vice John G Mott Resigned

N° 18.

Joseph R. Taylor Accountant 6 Oliver St.
vice Moses White Resigned

William T Merritt Merchant 341 Pearl St
vice W[m] Willis Joined another Comp[y]

The City Inspector presented Ordinance[s] for the Correction of Nuisances which were passed.

The Comptroller presented an account of Cash Received and expended from the 15th of *May to 31st of December last also an account of the Commrs of the Sinking fund and a balance [471] for same period Which was referred to the Finance Committee and directed to be printed for the use of the members. Vizt

The Comptroller respectfully presents to the Common Council an account of Cash received into the treasury and paid out by Warrants drawn, from the 15th day of May to 31st december 1822 inclusive

Also the account of the Commissioners of the Sinking fund and a balance Sheet for the same period

Balance in the treasury May 15th 1822	$4969.39
Received to 31st of December	303679.37
	$308648.76
Paid out by Warrants	305563.95
Balance in the treasury 31st Decr 1822	$3084.81

The Commissioners of the Sinking fund have redeemed since the report in may last of the Six per cent Stock	$4000.
Five per Cent of 1820	17.100.
Do 1821	1.100.
Total amount of 6 per cent redeemed	$161700.
5 per cent 1820	62100.
5 per cent 1821	41.200.
City Stock redeemed	$265000.
[472] Amount of six per cent not redeemed	738300.
5 per cent 1820	137900.
5 per cent 1821	158800.
	$1035000.
Eleven bonds to Mechanics bank for money loaned at different periods from Nov 1st 1821 to Dec 12 1822 interest at 6 per cent per annm	$117,500.
total amount of City Debt Dec 31st, 1822	$1,152,500.

New York Jany 6th 1822.

Signed G. N. Bleecker

City and County of New York account of Cash received and paid from May 15 to Decr 31st 1822 inclusive

Balance in the treasury May 15th 1822	$4.969.39

*Original entry was August.—Ed.

Received into the treasury since that period on the following accounts Vizt.

Real estate being ¾ths am't rec[d] for gore of land on Grand Street to E Mortis		232.50
Bonds payable for 7 bonds to Mechanics bank		88500.00
Taxes balances of 1821, $8804705 and 19600 of 1822		107647.05
Arrears of taxes am[t] returned by Collector of Arr[ges]		1051.16
Charges on arrearages of taxes &c for Certificates Leases Advertising &c		576.00
Police office for unclaimed goods sold		230.31
Excise amount returned by the Com[r]		8801.00
Tavern licenses for issues of		9255.90
[473] Interest for interest on bonds and Assessm[ts]		520.55
Courts for fines & forfeitures returned by Sheriff		1441.30
Penalties am[t] returned by Atty of the b[d]		50.65
Intelligence offices for licenses		100.
Justices Courts fines & Costs from 4 dist[t] Courts		4241.37
Lien on lots filling in fencing repairing &c		654.54
Wells & Pumps amount collected on Assessm[ts]		1125.22
Streets amount collected on Assessments		20565.15
Docks & Slips rent of Docks and *and* work of Mud Machine in Private Docks		14242.50
Lamps old Oil casks sold and lighting private lamps		231.84
Fire Department Old engines sold		750.00
Vendue Sales from State Treasurer		5.000.00
Commutation Alien Passengers		790.00
Mayoralty fees		1040.25
Avenues		24.20
Street Manure from Contractors		3433.56
Board of Health balance from the treasurer		243.00
Annual rents Viz Water lot rent		
Water lot rent	$4945.90	
Ground Rent	19356.35	
Common Land	512.02	
House Rent	2330.80	
Ferry Rent	5786.25	32931.32
		$308,648.76

[474] Paid from the treasury since may 15 1822 on the following accounts Vizt.

Alms House Bridewell and Penitenᵞ including approp[ri]ation for Stepping mill	55700.00
Working Convicts	2000.
New Mud Machine on account of	4841.88
Bonds Payable paid one bond to Mechanics bank	16000.
Taxes paid Asses[s] & for copying and completing tax books for 1822	3399.
Arrears of taxes paid State Arrears of 1822	1565.06

Charges on do. for certificates leasing adverts &c	200.00
Police office Justices and Clerks Salaries Officers conveying Prisoners and extra sers	4032.51
Tavern licenses for Clerk hire assists to issue	70.
Interest, for interest on City Stock bonds &c	38283.84
Courts District Attorney Clerk & Criers salas officers attending serving subpoenas conveys Prisoners to Bridewell & Peny witnesses attends	9318.93
Justices Courts Justices and Clks Salaries & room rent	4875.00
Lien on lots filling in fencing repairing &c	494.15
Wells and Pumps digging well[s] sett & reps pumps	2670.19
Streets opening improving regulating paving &c	20899.14
Docks & Slips Building & repairing Wharves & Piers and working & repairing Mud Machine	10537.76
Lamps oil Sups lights Repairs setting posts &c	12035.91
Fire Dept builds and repas Engs making hose &c	5771.31
Commutation Alien Passengers for list of furnish[ed]	50.
Coroners fees 3 Quarters May Aug Novr	1,203.67
[475] Roads amt of Warrants to overseer of Public roads	3594.34
County Contingencies*	4190.07
Board of Health	10487.70
Elections Inspectors of and Clerks & officers attending	844.
Printing and Stationary	971.44
Com Schools and Charities	9.776.61
Repairs of Public property	5549.04
Salaries	12.058.72
Watch	33456.
New Watch house	2956.45
Market†	8.223.79
Fulton Market Balance of Carpenters work Caulking and paving	2524.47
Battery making Reef &c	16.661.68
Ferries for ground for ferry at Hurlgate to Com Chauncey	321.29
Balance in the treasury	3084.81
	308648.76

*County Contingencies.

Counsel fees, suits, drafting, laws, 938.67	938.67
Registering deeds $3.50 Indexing minutes Posting bills 56.11	119.61
Celebration 4th of July $1275.31 prepars amms for troops $56.10	1331.41
Fuel for City Hall and Watch house 800 Trees for the park $62.50	862.50
expences of Corporation Cleaning buildings	359.25
Officers sundry Services $126 removing nuisances 102.55	228.55
Auction fees selling markets stands 66.50 Coach hire 145.50	212.
Framing portrait of the President U S. 70 Hydroms $20	90.
Water for Jail 33.33 directories and maps 14.75	48.08
	$4190.07

† [See next page]

Markets

[476] Building Franklin	$2650.84
" Washington Market	3308.13
" Addition to Centre Market	394.
Water for Fulton Market	13.33
Clerks Salaries and pay of Sweepers	1857.49
	$8223.79

Sinking Fund Acct. from May 15th to Decr 31st 1822 inclusive

The Commissioners of the Sinking fund.

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To balance in the treasury at their Credit as per last account. 15th of March 1822	$377.37

Amt of recps in the Treasy to their credit since the above period on the following account

Real estate being 25 p cent recd for a gore of land on Grand St...	77.50
City Stock interest	7111.00
Water lot rents	720.66
Market rents	8304.93
Market Fees	3667.73
Street Vaults	1954.74
Pawn brokers licenses	250.
	$22463.93

Total receipts bv the Commrs of the Sinking fund from its commencement Augt 23d 1813 to Decr 31st 1822 inclusive

For Water lot rents	$14243.50
Market Rents	23750.51
[477] Market fees	63331.15
Street Vaults	17781.26
Pawn brokers licenses	5566.63
25 per Cent on sale of real estate	57995.08
Commutation of Com land Quit rent	250.00
Do Wheat do	3999.91
Do Water lot do	15583.47
Profit on United States Stock	987.14
Interest on do	1.800.00
Do City do	57363.33
Do Defence bonds	230.18
Do from the Mechanics bank balance in the treasury	389.77
Hack licenses	4749.00
	268020.93

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By their warrants on the treasury for the following purchases of City Stock viz

From Lebbeus Loomis $1100 (of 5 per cent) loan of 1821 a 103....				1133.00
From Daniel Jackson $2300 do 1820 a 98½ $2265.50 and a ¼ per cent Brokerage 5.66.....				2271.16
From John Fleming Cashier $4000 6 per cent. stock at 104¼ 4190.00 and Brokerage ¼ per cent.....				4200.47
From National Insurance Compy $7000 of 5 per cent Stock Loan of 1821 at par				7000.00
Do	1600	do		1600.00
Do	3700	do		3700.00
from John G Warren & son	2500	do	98	2450.00
[478] By balance at their Credit in the treasury to debit new account				109.30
				$22463.98

Stephen Allen Mayor
R Riker Recorder
Wm Paulding J Chas F C
John Fleming Chamberlain
G N Bleecker Compr
} Commrs of sinking fund.

Invested in $161700 City 6 per cent Stock which cost.....				163367.51
62.100	5	do	1820.....	62058.66
41200	5	do	1821.....	42485.46
And leaving a balance in the treasury of.....				109.30
				$268020.98

His Honor the Mayor presented a statement of considerable length on the Fiscal concerns of the Corporation including the revenues received the monies expended and suggesting various improvements in the concerns of the City which was read laid for consideration & ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

The Counsel presented A Law upon the subject of the Harbor masters also a [479] memorial to the Legislature corresponding therewith which was directed to be duly authenticated

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessment[s] which were confirmed & Collectors appointed in each Vizt

For regulating and paving Prince Street from Broadway to McDougall St.

For regulating & paving Lawrense Street from Spring to Prince Street.

For regulating and paving Laurens St from Spring St to near Livingstons line

For a Well and Pump in Laurens St between Prince & Houston Street & Morris De Camp was appointed Collector in this and each of the foregoing Assessments

For a Well and Pump in the Bowery between Prince & Bleecker Street.

For building Cisterns in Broome Street in front of the Central Church & [480] Noah Jarvis. was appointed Collector in this & the foregoing Assessment.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Leonard Bleecker reported in his favor as follows.

The Commᵉᵉ on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Leonard Bleecker praying to be relieved from a personal tax

Report that the Assessors of the 3ᵈ Ward have given a certificate which is hereunto annexed in which they state that they are satisfied that the petitioner ought to be exempt from paying any personal tax Your Commᵉᵉ are of opinion that relief should be granted beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 3ᵈ ward refrain from Collecting any personal tax from Leonard Bleecker and return the same in the list of Errors & Insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wᵐ Thorn
George S Dougty
Henry J Wyckoff

[481] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Commᵉᵉ on the petition of Mark Hoag reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Mak[r]k Hoag praying to be relieved from an error made by the Assessors in putting his personal property at $5000 when it should have been $500

Report that the Assessors of the 5ᵗʰ ward have given a certificate which is hereunto annexed in which they admit the Error above cited your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner is just & ought to be granted respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the fifth ward receive a personal tax from Mark Hoag on Five hundred dollars and return the residue of his personal tax in the list of errors & Insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wᵐ Thorn Chairᵐ
Geo S Doughty
Henry J Wyckoff

[482] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of James Duffie reported against it as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of James Duffie praying to be relieved from tax on 7 lots of Ground which he held & Sold as Executor of an Estate which he states he has settled and paid over to the Heirs Report that they have had this case under consideration and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted inasmuch as the Loss he complains of arose from his neglect to see that all the charges on the Estate were liquidated before he made a final settlement your Committee beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) William Thorn
Geo S Doughty
Henᵞ J. Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[483] The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of the market Women of Spring Street market praying that they be exempted from payment of fees reported as follows.

The Market Commᵉᵉ to whom was referred the petᵃ of the Market women of Spring St market prayᵍ that the fees of their Stands may be remitted from the present time until the first of April next.

Report that the fees paid by said women is one shilling per day under cover and that the same price is charged to all others in the several markets

Your Committee are well aware that many of those petitioners are very poor and that humanity would dictate that Some of them should be relieved but should the women of this market be exempt from paying fees the women of all the other markets would claim to be relieved on the same ground which if granted would cut off that portion of revenue from all the Markets. Your Committee think it inexpedient to grant relief and beg leave to offer the following [484] resolution—Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
Samuel St John
John Webb
David Marsh.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Charles Simonson for transfer of Stall N° 28 Fulton market reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the applications of Cha^s Simonson butcher requesting he may be licensed for Stand N° 28 Fulton market now held by Effingham W March who is willing to transfer it to him the said E W Marsh having given his consent in writing. R(port. that they would recommend the transfer should be made upon the same terms as others have been permitted, that is that the whole rent be paid in advance or be secured by approved security for the whole term for which [it] is rented they beg leave to offer the following resolution

[485] Resolved that Effingham W Marsh be permitted to transfer his stand N° 28 Fulton market to Charles Simonson on his paying the whole rent in advance or securing the payment [there]of by approved Security for the term for which it was rented to the said Marsh

Signed. Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
Samuel St John
John Webb
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Finance Committee on the petition of Edward Morris reported as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Edw^d Morris requesting compensation for damages sustained in consequence of the difficulty of obtaining possession of a piece of ground at the intersection of Grand & Elm Streets which he purchased from the Corporation

Report that the committee have offered to take back the [486] property from Mr Morris and refund him the full amount of the purchase money which the said E Morris has refused to accept.

They therefore recommend the following resolution resolved that the said Edward Morris have leave to withdraw his petition

(Signed) James Hall
W^m H Ireland
George Zabriskie
S Cowdrey
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

Ald Mann presented a resolution for creating an additional ward to be called the 11th ward to be formed of parts of 6 8 & 10th wards & to be bounded by Chatham, Mott, Bowery & Bleecker Street that a quorum shall then Consist of Six Aldermen and Six Assistants with power to elect a president in absence of the Mayor and Recorder which was read & laid on the table.

His Honor the Mayor agreably to resolution of the 30th inst. proceeded to appoint members [487] of the Standing Committee to be called the Committee on Applications to the Legislature & appointed thereon Ald Taylor Mann Hall Messrs Bolton Cowdrey

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 23d Decr	$3084.81
Received for rents	6535.29
" Streets	2856.41
" Vendue Sales	2500.
" Intestate Estate	1363.82
" Fines from Sheriff	270.
" Arrears of taxes	250.
	16860.33

46 Accounts audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	813.75
Hibberd and Clark do 2nd	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d	624.75
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder 1 Qr Salary	375.
Samuel Hutchings Street Inspr 1 mo. 1 inst	54.25
Jonathan Pinckney do " "	54.25
Abraham Ackerman do " "	54.25
Wm J Waldron Assist City Inspr " "	45.50
Obadiah Ayres do do	45.50
[488] George Mills Assist Board of Health	45.50
Benjamin Hicks do do	45.50
Asten & Cochran Messengers	52.
Daniel H Magee keeper of Potters field	38.75
Chas Gilman Keeper of Battery	34.88
Ogden Edwards Counsellor drafting laws &c	485.77
Isaac Asten Sweeper of Fulton mart 1 mo	54.09
Ezra Frost Clerk of do " "	41.66
Richard Smith Clerk of Washington do	59.
John Bremner Clerk of Catharine do	57.
Peter Ammerman Clk of 6 markets do	46.50
George DurYea Clk of Franklin do	38.75
James Bleecker Auction fees on 7 Stalls Fulton do	10.50
G Snethen Supt lights lamps 1 mo. 1st inst	745.69
Robert Provoost repairing do	68.01
George B Rapalye Clk Police Expenses 6 mo	32.52

Thompson Price Act. rebuilding Sewer Fly Mark[et]	700.
James Pinkerton act reg[s] and pav[s] South St. fr Crane whf to Peck Slip	200.
H Smith bal reg[s] & pav[s] Grand fr Mercer to Greene St	124.91
H Weeks insp[s] pavements Sundry Streets	214.24
P H Wendover & Associ[s] Assess Sundry Streets Wells and pumps	645.
R Pettigrew bal on Well in Goerck n Delancy St	43.60
R Pettigrew bal. do Mercer n Houston St	21.96
R Pettigrew bal do Howard n Broadway	21.17
R Pettigrew bal do Hudson n Dominick St	17.94
R Pettigrew bal do Canal n Hudson	27.83
M Decamp Commission on interest collected on Assessments	72.08
[489] R Ayres act filling Bulkhead foot of Chamber & Duane St	184.05
J Morgan & Son work & materials for mud machine	1009.20
John Evelith Act. Sup[s] building Do	1000.
Mechanics bank int[t] on 11 Bonds to 1[st] Inst	1753.75
John Fleming treas[r] for bills of Credit redeemed & cancelled 26 Dec[r]	30.63
Jacob P Roome Sup[t] of repairs for repairs	418.
J P Roome do Casting for Engines	251.
J P Roome do Pump Departmt	88.
Arthur Burtis Sup[t] Alms House	5000.
ordered at the Board	$16520.48
G B Rapalye Expenses apprehending felon	74.85
Balance	$265.48

Board adjourned

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

JANUARY 13, 1823 TO APRIL 21, 1823

[1] Special meeting In Common Council Jan. 13th 1823

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	
Elisha W King	Samuel St. John
James Fairlie	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	Samuel Cowdrey
George Zabriskie	John Webb
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Henry Mead.	George S Doughty
	George Downing.

The reading of the minutes of last meeting was dispensed with

His Honor the Mayor stated that as there were several matters of considerable moment relating to the Finances of the City as also those relating to the Health Law which required Legislative interposition he thought it proper to call the attention [2] of the Board to them at an early day & had therefore Summoned this special meeting.

The Communication of the Mayor on the subject of the Fiscal concerns of *of* the City presented at the last meeting was called up and read in the following words

The following Statement of the City Finances has been prepared with a view to ascertain the amount necessary to be raised by tax, in order to meet the current expenses of the Corporation for the ensuing year.

The reports made to the Board on this Subject are no doubt preserved by the members and may be referred to for a general expose of the Fiscal Concerns of the Corporation from *the* May 1816. to Jan. 1822, and any information required either as to the nature of the receipts and disbursements or the increase of the City debt and the operations of the sinking fund for the above period may be ascertained by a reference to the aforesaid reports [3] The method adopted in stating the several items of receipts and disbursements in former reports will be pursued in the exhibit now presented to the board Vizt All accounts which show a charge both on the Debit and Credit side of the Cash account of the Comptroller, are charged on that side only

which has the balance in its favor. This method of showing the actual receipt and payment on each particular item has been preferred, as at one view we are enabled to perceive from whence our income is derived and the particular object for which it is expended; and by comparison also, to observe the variance throughout a course of years of all the permanent receipts and disbursements of the Corporation.

In furtherance of this object it has been deemed proper to insert the receipts and expenditures from May the 15th 1821 to May the 15th 1822. together with those from May the 15th to December the 31st 1822

The following were the receipts into the treasury from May the 15th 1821 [4] to May the 15th 1822 viz[t]

Receipts

For balance in the treasury May 15th 1821	$52996.53
Rents	42200.05
Street manure	6610.00
Mayoralty fees	1848.00
Tavern & Excise licenses	18189.05
Vendue Sales	10.000.00
Wells and Pumps	574.38
Comm[n] Alien Passengers	1785.00
Intestate Estates	317.00
Docks & Slips	5585.43
Streets	410.64
Real estate Sold	500.00
Taxes	259851.65
Cash Borrowed	8890.18
	$409759.41

The following are the expenditures for the last mentioned

Expenditures

For Alms House Penitentiary &c	$.82800.00
" Watch	54214.18
Lamps	20504.01
Fire department	7052.08
Interest on Public debt	73298.79
Salaries	29228.22
Repairs	11.636.00
Board of Health	1966.05
Roads	2668.00
Common Schools and Charities	11114.28
[5] Police office	4893.90
Contingent expenses	8678.29
Justices Courts	1220.73
Criminal Courts	14.509.64

Working Convicts	$5500.00
Printing and Stationary	2622.85
Elections	2511.00
Coroners fees	1244.46
Lien on Lots for correcting nuisances	359.62
Redeeming bills of Credit	67.54
Penalties remitted	488.49
Filling Canal Street Basin	6.601.61
Park Fence	14060.97
Fulton Market	45836.97
Battery	1712.38
	$404790.02
Balance in the treasy May 15th 1822	4969.39
making a total of	$.409.759.41
By the present report of the Comptroller it appears, that the receipts into the treasury from the 15th of May to the 31st of Decr 1822. including the balance on the first mentioned day was	$.308648.76
And that there was paid out by warrants during the aforesaid period	305563.95
Leaving a bal. in the treasy on the 31st of Decr last	3084.81

[6] The receipts and payments for the above period, however, upon the principle of charging only that side of the account which shows the Balance in its favour was as follows:

Receipts.

For Balance, May 15, 1822	$4,969.39
Rents	32610.03
Street Manure	3433.56
Mayoralty Fees	1.040.25
Tavern and Excise Licenses	17.986.90
Vendue Sales	5.000.00
Alien Passengers	740.00
Docks and Slips	3.704.74
Lein on Lots	160.39
Penalties	50.65
Intelligence Offices	100.00
Real Estate sold	232.50
Taxes	104.110.15
Cash borrowed	72500.00
Making a total of	$246,638.56

Expenditures

For Alms House Penitentiary &c	$55700.00
Watch	33456.00

Lamps	$11804.07
Fire Department	5021.31
Interest on Public debt.	37.763.29
[7] Salaries	12058.72
Repairs	5549.04
Board of Health	10244.70
Roads	3594.34
Common Schools & Charityes	9776.61
Police office	3802.20
Contingent Expenses	4190.07
Streets	333.99
Justices Courts	633.63
Criminal Courts	7877.63
Working Convicts	1975.80
Printing & Stationary	971.44
Election	844.00
Coroners Fees	1203.67
Wells & Pumps	1544.97
New Dredging machine on acct	4841.88
New Watch house do	2956.45
Markets	10748.26
Battery	16661.68
	$24353.75
Balance in the treasy 31st Dec 1822	3084.81
Making a Grand total of	$246.638.56

It appears by the foregoing exhibit, that the actual expenditures from May to December 1822 a period of about 7 months was $243,553 84, equal to $417520.80 [8] for the Year. By the report of January 21st 1822 the amount of expenditure for the year ending in May 1823. was estimated at $372850, exceeding the estimated receipts $249 750, and a tax of $250,000, was accordingly recommended to meet the deficiency in the receipts; but the payments having exceeded the sum appropriated $26058. from May to December and in the proportion of nearly $50000 per annum the taxes for the ensuing year will have to be increased or some other means provided to meet the deficiency that will accrue.

A Part of the excess in the expenditure alluded to above, was caused by the late calamity with which our city was visited and was therefore unavoidable, and the objects to which the balance was applied are at least useful if not indispensable improvements, the only possible objection was their having been carried into effect before the

means was provided for their disbursement. The principal objects and improvements for which this extra expense was incurred were as follows.

[9] For the Board of Health excess over estimate	$8244.70
The treading mill at the Penitentᵞ	3050.00
the new Dredging Machine	4841.88
the new Watch House	2956.45
Roads excess over estimate	2594.34
making a total of	$21687.37

In addition to these there are several other items which have exceeded the estimates that will fully establish the whole amount of excess as above stated

Of the City Debt.

The Funded debt consists of Stock amounting to $900000 bearing an interest of 6 per cent per annum and $400,000 at an interest of 5 per cent. per annum making the aggregate of the funded debt	$1.300000.00
The Sinking fund had liquidated of the aforesaid debt. on the 27th of Janᵞ 1822	218050.00
Leaving the nett amount at	$1.081950.00

The receipts and disbursements of the Commissioners of the Sinking fund from the 7th day of Janᵞ to the 31st day of Decʳ 1822 were as follows.

Receipts.

For balance to credit Janᵞ 7th 1822	$42.89
25 per cent on real estate sold	377.50
[10] Rent on Water lots	866.38
Market rents & fees	18237.92
Street vaults	2634.24
Hack Licenses	160.00
Intᵗ on City Stock held by Commʳ	13747.00
Pawn brokers licenses	300.00
	$36373.93

Disbursements

By 5 per cent stock of 1821. purchased	$2000.	
Premium on do 3¼ per cent add	378.	2065.09
5 per cent. Stock of 1821 purchased	12.660.	
Premium on do 3 per cent add	378.	12978.00
5 per cent Stock of 1820 at par	12300.	12300.

5 per cent Stock of 1820 purchased	$2.300.	
Below par 1½ per cent deduct	34.50	2265.50
Brokerage on do ¼ per cent		566.
5 per cent Stock of 1820 purchased	2500.	
Below par 2 per cent deduct	50.	2450.
6 per cent stock purchased	4000.	
Premium on do 4¾ per cent add	190.	4190.00
Brokerage ¼ per cent		10.47
Balance to credit of Comm[a] Dec[r] 31[st] 1822		109.39
making a total as above of		$.36373.93

The following is the present state of the Public debt.

funded 5 and 6 per cent Stock	$1,300,000.00
Redeemed by the sinking fund as per report of Jan[y] 21[st] 1822	$218050.00
[11] To this add $11250 of 5 p[r] Cent Stock redeemed on the 12[th] of May 1821. and omitted in the aforesaid report	$11250.00
Redeemed from 7[th] of Jan[y] to 31[s] Dec[r] 1822	35700.00
Leaving the nett amount of debt unrede[d]	$1,035,000.
The temporary debt at this date consists of eleven bonds due the Mechanics bank amounting in the aggregate to	$117500.
From this Sum must be deducted the amount borrowed for Canal St Sewer	64000.
Making the total amount of City debt	$1.088.500.

It is proposed as this balance of the temporary debt amounting to $53500. has been applied to the ordinary disbursements of the Corporation that it shall be provided for from the receipts of the ensuing year.

The balance of unredeemed Bills issued by the Corporation in the years 1814-15 & 16. was stated in the report of Jan[y] 1822. at	$24.547.34
Since which there has been redeemed and cancelled	30.36
Leaving the unredeemed bills at	$24,516.98

The following exhibits are introduced principally with the view of showing the use which has been made of them in the Calculations entered into for the ensuing year and at the same time presuming [12] that they may convey some information on the particular subjects to which they relate.

1[st] Amounts paid by the Corporation and which Appears to be due for constructing the Sewer in Canal Street and for other improve-

ments on the Streets &c in the vicinity the collectn of Which has been suspended by an injunction from the Court of Chancery.

For Canal St. Sewer	$59238.00
Regulating Canal St	2.976.81
Laying the Side Walks on do	439.46
Paving Canal St	163.23
Paving Hudson n Canal St	203.90
Paving Hubert. n Canal St	272.81
Chapple St. Sewer	482.16
Broadway and Canal St intersectns	432.36
Regulating Wooster St	347.84
Making a total of	$.64556.67

Of this Sum $64000 will be continued on Loan from th[e] bank until the court shall have decided the question Submitted to [it] and the Collections can be resumed

2nd Amounts advanced from the *the* treasury the greater part of [13] Which it is presumed may be collected in the ensuing year.

For opening Oliver St	$10643.00
Interest on do from May 14 1819. to Dec. 1822	2670.00
Opening Lispenard St	1772.58
Regulating Watt St	148.30
Opening White St	166.14
Paving Howard St	17.92
Paving Dominick St	11.91
Paving Division Street	50.66
Regulating Grand St	68.26
James Street Sewer	131.78
Batavia Street do	56.70
Oak Street do	26.32
Making a total of	$.15763.66

Of the foregoing arrearages $12000 has been calculated on as the receipts of the ensuing year and are brought to account accordingly.

3d The collection of the following sums is suspended by injunction or for irregular Assessments errors &c &c

For Regulating	North St	$3129.04
Do	Lombardy St	431.12
Do	Carmine St	732.13
Do	Fourth St	95.42
[14] Do	Eldridge St	47.49
Do	Broome St	8,26.41
the matter of opening	34th St	68.00
Making a total of		$5329.31

A Part of the sum if not the whole will in all probability be lost to the public owing to legal impediments which prevent its collection.

The following estimates have been prepared by the Superintendant of Repairs and are no doubt within the required sums for the objects to which they relate.

4th An Estimate of the repairs now required to the public Wharves Piers & Slips

The Repairs of the whole will amount to	$10475.00
To pay for work already done	1100.00
	$11575.00

As the work for which the above estimate is made has already been performed or is required to be performed forthwith an addition of $8443 has been allowed to meet the future expenses for this object and the estimated disbursements for Wharves Piers & Slips will therefore, [15] show an item to meet the expense of the year of $20000.

5th Estimate of the Probable cost for repairing and building Fire engines &c for the year 1823.

For the whole cost of repairs are estimated at	$2826.00
Balance due on two Engines now building	800.00
Cost of three engines expected to be built	2400.00
Cost of new Leaders & Suction pipes	1582.75
Repairing Old Leaders	500.00
Fire Wood for supply of engine Houses	120.00
Lamp Oil for do do	75.00
Repairs of do do	300.00
New Buckets required to supply the place of old ones	412.50
Pay for work done to leaders previous to this date	550.00
Making a total of	$9566.25

The expense of this department of our municipal concerns. is worthy the serious consideration of the Board the cash expended for engines and apparatus including the ground purchases and engine houses erected for the last six years has amounted to $79.996.94 averaging $13332 per annum. The value of the estate vested in this species of Public Property was estimated in 1820 at $72,789.

The number of engines including Hook & Ladder [16] Companies now in employ are 47. to which are attached 1215 engineers and firewardens not included all of whom when they Shall have served ten

Years from 1816 are to be exempted from serving as Jurors and all military duty thereafter These facts are suggested in order to elicit the opinion of the Common Council whether the present number of engines are not more than can be usefully employed and if so whether some of them may not be dispen[d] with and by that means the annual expenditure lessened.

It is believed that no City in the Union incurs an expense for this object in any way proportional to the City of New York. In Philadelphia the engines and apparatus are furnished by Individuals and the priviledge of exemption from Jury and military duty are considered as a sufficient remuneration; the City Council only appropriating annually about $2000 towards the necessary repairs and there is some reason to believe that the same econonomical system is [17] pursued in the other cities throughout the United States.

While we are drawing upon the property of our citizens in taxes so large an annual amount for this object and at the same time are compelling them to perform nearly double duty as jurors in consequence of the exemption granted the Firemen it is no more than reasonable that the benefits to be derived in a public point of view should be commensurate to the sacrifice. Before the establishment of Fire insurance companies in this City the benefits derived from the Fire Department were perhaps equal to the expenditure but it is very questionable now when almost every species of property liable to be destroyed or injured by fire is insured from loss whether any material public benefit is derived. That the companies are benefitted needs no further proof than the fact of their general prosperity for the man who pays a premium for the insurance of his property cannot be benefitted by the saving of it through the means of the Fire Department [18] because the Company are bound to make good his Loss and if a building or other property worth $10000 is so far preserved that only $5000 is destroyed the insurers are the gainers to the full amount of that part saved and not the owner of the property or the firemen employed in preserving it from the devouring element. This subject is of sufficient importance to the Common Council to cause an inquiry to be instituted whether our Finances may not in some measure be relieved by a reduction of the expence for the Fire Department.

An estimate has also been obtained from M[r] Abraham Storms showing the cost of several new Piers which have been petitioned for and are now under consideration by the Comm[ee] on Wharves Piers & Slips

They are as follows.

1st to build a pier of four Blocks and Bridges to extend into the river 250 feet. between James Slip and Roosevelt St. will Cost	$11500.00
2nd to build a pier of four blocks and [19] bridges to extend into the river 250 feet at Albany basin will cost	11400.00
3d to build an L. from pier at Fulton market of one block and Bridge	3624.00
4th to build a pier from the middle pier of the Corporation dock at Washington of 3 blocks & Bridges 190 ft. into the river	8900.00
5th To build a pier between Reed St and Chamber St. of 4 blocks & Bridges 250 ft. into the river will cost	11300.00
making a total of	$46.724.00

This item of $46724 has not been included in the estimated expenditure for docks & Slips in the ensuing year: for the amount of taxes necessary to meet the disbursements for improvements already passed on together with the ordinary expenses of the Corporation will considerably exceed the sum usually raised and it was therefore presumed that this additional expense would be avoided by the Board until our finances were in a more prosperous state than at present.

The following estimates are founded on a comparative view of the receipts and [20] disbursements of the Corporation for several years; and they are believed to be as nearly correct as this description of estimates usually are but if new objects of expense are brought forward that are neither estimated or provided for as is too frequently the case the result must be an addition to the public debt and a destruction to all calculation.

The payments into the treasury for the year commencing on the 1st day of January and ending on the 31st day of December 1823 are estimated to amount to the following sums.

Receipts

For Rents. including Ferries	$45.000.00
Street Manure	3.200.00
Mayoralty fees	1500.00
Vendue Sales	10000.00
Alien Passengers	1000.00
Tavern and Excise license	18000.00
Docks & Slips	30000.00
Arrea[ra]ges on Streets	12000.00
Bonds due the Corporation	3770.00
Taxes	330000.00
	$454470.00
to which add a bal. 31st Dec 1822	3084.00
making a total	$457554.81

[21] Expenditures

For Alms House Penitentiary &c	$.85000.00
Watch	56000.00
Fire Department	9500.00
Lamps	25000.00
Interest on Public debt	80000.00
Salaries	31000.00
Repairs	10000.00
Board of Health	2500.00
Roads	2000.00
Common Schools & Charities	12000.00
Police Office	5000.00
Criminal Courts	12000.00
Justices Courts	1500.00
Working Convicts	3000.00
Printing and Stationary	2500.
Contingent Expenses	10000.00
Coroners fees	1500.00
Anual Election	1000.00
Opening Beekman St and Dover. St	17200.00
Market n Essex & Grand St	7000.00
Repairing Docks & Slips	20000.00
Balance on new Dredging machine	3895.47
Do on New Watch house	950.00
New Mud Scow to be built	600.00
Bonds payable to the bank	53500.00
	452.645.47
Balance that will remain 31 Dec 1823	4909.34
Making a total of	457554.81

[22] The result of the foregoing estimates are that an increase of taxes will be necessary to meet the disbursements of the Corporation for the Year 1823. amounting to $80000 at the lowest calculation. It is a question therefore to be decided by the Board whether the tax directed to be raised by a resolution passed on the 12th day of March 1821 for sinking the debt created by building the Fulton market shall be added to the ordinary taxes of the present year or not. It will be recollected by the Board that a bill was prepared last winter conformable to the aforesaid resolution authorising a tax of $15000 annually until the debt of $200000 should be paid off principal and interest but the large amount at which the stall Standings & Cellars in the Fulton Market were rented induced the Legislature to believe that both the principal and interest of the debt would be discharged from the income of the establishment [23] without further aid and they therefore refused to pass the Law prepared for the purpose by

the Common Council. This motive for rejecting the Act however has no existence at the present time as the rents now received will Scarcely amount to the interest on the debt and leaves no resource for the redemption of the principal but the tardy operations of the Sinking fund Should it be deemed expedient to ask for a law of the Present Legislature therefore it is presumed no obstacle to its passage can be anticipated. It is also suggested for the consideration of the Board whether this annual application to the Legislature, for an Act authorising the raising of money by taxes, for the necessary expenses of this City may not be dispensed with and a general law obtained authorising the Corporation to assess and Levy on the real & personal estates in this county such amount as will be required to pay the annual expenditure of the Corporation, together with authority to raise a portion of the amount from such other sources within the City not reached [24] by the tax on real and personal estate.

The Subject of collecting the taxes is also again brought to the consideration of the Common Council. The method now in practice not only costs the public three times the sum absolutely necessary for the performance of the duty but tends to delay the collection to an extent injurious to the public interest The amount received by the Collectors in the aggregate is $12702.10 This Sum when divided among ten persons may not appear too large for the services they respectively render: but if the same services can be performed by one person with the assistance of one or two clerks perhaps one third of the amount may be sufficient, at least it is believed that the taxes may be collected upon the plan pursued by the United States in the collection of the late direct tax for a sum not exceeding $5000 per annum.

There are other evils resulting from the present method besides the heavy expense at Which the collections are effected The Collectors receive the [25] tax books about the 1st day of October and agreably to Law, they ought to make a final return to the City treasurer on or before the 1st day of February thereafter: but the practice of the Supervisors is to extend the time by the Warrants of the Collectors to the Second Monday in May that being the expiration of the term for which they are elected. the returns however are seldom made before June and are Sometimes Extended to August by Which they employ eight months in completing the collection when the law contemplates that it Should be done in four. The payers of taxes aware that the returns of the Collectors are not made until June embrace this as a good reason for omitting the payment until the approach of

this period by which they enjoy the use of the money for several months to the injury of the public who in the mean time have to borrow at an interest and to the injustice of those who pay on being called on. The result is that a large portion of the taxes are withheld from the public use for an unreasonable [26] length of time and are not paid into the treasury until nearly a year has elapsed since they were assessed. The Following plan is submitted as a substitute for that now pursued.

1st That a collector be appointed by the Common Council whose office shall be kept in the City Hall and that he be allowed one clerk and a messenger as assistants.

2nd That on the books of the Assessors being confirmed by the Supervisors they Shall be immediately handed over to the Collector who shall thereupon issue the necessary public notice to the citizens

3d That every person who shall pay his tax, on or before the certain day to be fixed he shall not be subject to any additional charge; but all who neglect to pay on or before said day shall pay ten per cent in addition, if paid within a second period to be fixed; but if they neglect to pay until after the expiration of this second period they shall pay in addition twenty per cent. and legal measures shall be resorted to for the recovery [27] of the taxes thus in arrears.

In connection with the subject of collecting the taxes it may not be improper to consider whether some improvement in the Assessment is not practicable in order to an earlier receipt of the books by the Collectors. The books are now delivered to the Assessors about the middle of May and to the Collectors about the first of October, three months before the expiration of the year for which the taxes are levied.

The second monday in May was the earliest period at which the books could be placed into the hands of the Assessors as on that day they were sworn into office and the necessary calculations in preparing the books before they could be presented to the Supervisors precluded their being put into the hands of the Collectors before the 1st of October but by the late alteration in the election of Charter officers the Assessors come into office on the last monday in Decr and the books may be prepared with much ease and put into the hands of the Assessors by the first of March [28] & the Assessments completed by the 1st of May thereafter when the necessary arrangements for preparing the books for the Collectors may be completed by the first day of July seven months previous to the expiration of the year for which the taxes are assessed and eight

months prior to the period fixed by Law for their collection. The only objection that can arise to the comencing of the Assessments on the first of March even if the present system of collecting the taxes is continued is the difficulty that may occur in collecting a portion of the personal tax in consequence of the annual removals which take place on the first day of May for no difficulty can possibly occur in collecting the tax on the real estate that being immoveable but it is presumed that the removals of those paying personal tax are not so numerous as to be an insurmountable barrier to the collection or to be compared with the benefits that will result from an early assessm[t] [29] one of Which is the assessment on the personal estate of those, who remove to the country in the early part of the Spring of each year. and are by that means releas[d] from their proportion of the City Expenses. Every difficulty will be removed however should the plan above suggested of having the taxes paid to a single Collector be adopted as it will then be made the interest of the taxed to come to the place of receipt instead of waiting to be sought for as at present.

There is another subject to which it has been deemed proper to call the attention of the Board and that is the heavy expense thrown upon this County by the Several Acts of the Legislature allowing the mode of providing for the costs of our criminal courts. The acts alluded to which so unjustly burthens us with this additional expense was passed on the 21[st] of April 1818, and the 2[nd] of April 1819, and the first charge on the County for this object will be found in the annual report of the Comptroller of May the 8[th] 1820. The amounts paid from the City Treasury and which was formerly disbursed by the State are as [30] follows.

Comptrollers report	May	8th 1820	$3099.25
Do	do	May 15th 1821	22048.53
Do	do	May 15th 1822	14509.64
Do	do	Dec 3d 1822	7877.63
Making a total of			$47.535.05

And equal to $18000 per annum after deducting all receipts.

In Order that this pressure might in some measure be lessened an act was applied for by the Corporation and passed the 16[th] of March 1821 providing that the district Attorney Clerk of the Sessions and Cryer Should be paid a Salary in lieu of their bill of fees, and that the fines & forfeited recognizances be paid into the City Treasury, and applied to the disbursing of the aforesaid Salaries. The amount thus paid for fines &c it was calculated would reduce the expenditure to about $6000 per annum; but the proceeds from this Source having

fallen far Short of what they formerly were the item for this object cannot be estimated at a less sum than $12000 [31] annually. The fees received by the aforesaid officers over and above their Salaries agreably to a return rendered to the Secretary of State, and by him reported to the Legislature on the 10th day of January 1822 were as follows.

Receipts by the dist Atty from the 1st of May to the 1st of Novr 1821 exclusive of his Salary was	$1188.58
To which add the amount of salary paid to him during the aforesaid period	1,500.00
And the amount of his receipts for Six months Will be	2688.58
The receipts of the Clerk of Sessions for the same period was for fees received	$1.250.86
To which add the amount paid him as salary	1200.00
and the amount of his receipts for Six months will be	$2250.86

The object in bringing this Subject again to the notice of the Common Council is barely to Suggest to them whether it would not better comport with propriety and the public Interest that all the officers to whom they are paying an annual Salary should receive *should* [32] *receive* such a Stipend for their services as would be a Sufficient remuneration exclusive of fees. and if fees are necessarily Collected by them whether they ought not to be paid into the treasury and disbursed with the other receipts of the Corporation Most of the officers now to be appointed by the Common Council are in the receipt of more or less fees The District Atty the Clerk of the Sessions the Cryer the Four Ward Justices the three Police Justices the Clerk of the Police and the Mayor receive fees which they are not bound to account for

It is for the Common Council to decide therefore previous to the appointment of these officers whether they Shall receive the compensation for their services part by Salary & part by fees or whether a different arrangement shall go into effect conformable to the foregoing suggestions

It is pretty generally admitted that the taxes on the real estate of this City are in many instances very oppressive and unequal; and believing it to be [33] the true policy as well as interest of the City that this Species of property should not be unequally or oppressively burthened particularly while other objects and which are the cause of an increased expense on the treasury are so moderately assessed. There are many Subjects to which these observations will apply but

for the present it has been deemed proper only to notice two to wit, Tavern & Excise licenses and the licenses *and the licenses* issued to Hackney Coaches & Carriages.

It is a fact which will not be Controverted that the ease with which Spirituous liquors can be obtained the cheapness of the article and the facility afforded by the large number of places opened in this City for its retail is the Cause of ruin to thousands of our population and has filled our Alms House and Penitentiary with Pauperism and crime, and assuming this as a fact is it not both just and equitable that a revenue should be raised on an article from which arises such injurious consequences to the Community?

[34] The Propriety of increasing the price of the license for Hackney coaches is founded upon the fact that they are the means of considerable expense to the public by the injury done the Streets and carriage ways and it is also conducive to order that their number should be kept within reasonable bounds; whereas under the present low price the increased number of these vehicles are becoming troublesome instead of useful.

None of these Several objects can be effected without Legislative aid and as the Legislature will Shortly be in Session and an early application to that Honorable body will tend to facilitate the passage of any Law required by the Corporation it is respectfully recommended that the matters contained in this communication be referred to the proper committees in Order that their opinion may be had thereon.

Submitted by the
Mayor

[35] Note. By Comparing the following with the Comptrollers Cash account from May 15th to Decr the 31st as reported by the Board the method pursued in Stating the Several items of receipts & Expenditures in the exhibits on that Subject brought forward in the foregoing Communication will be fully explained

Receipts

For bale in the treasy may 15th 1822		$4969.39
Rents of Ferries	$5786.25	
Common lands	512.02	
Water lots	4945.90	
Ground rent	19356.35	
House Rent	2330.80	
	32931.32	
deduct ground for *Hurgate* [Hell Gate] ferry	321.29	32.610.03

For Street manure		$3433.56
Mayoralty fees		1040.25
Tavern licenses	$92.55.90	
Excise do	8801.00	
	18056.90	
deduct expence of issuing	70.00	17986.90
For Vendue Sales		5000.00
Alien Passengers	790.00	
deduct paid at Custom Hous	50.00	740.00
For docks & Slips rent	14242.50	
deduct disbursements	10537.36	3704.74
[36] For lien on lots received	$654.54	
deduct disbursements	494.15	160.39
For Penalties received		50.65
Intelligence offices		100.00
Real Estate Sold		232.50
Taxes arrearages of	1051.16	
Charges on do	576.00	
Taxes from Collectors	107,647.05	
	109274.21	
deduct arrears paid state	1565.06	
Charges on do	200.00	
Paid Assessors and for books	3399.00	
	5164.06	
		104.110.15
Cash borrowed from Bank	88500.00	
deduct bonds paid do	16000.00	72.500.00
Making a total of		$246,638.56

Expenditures

For Alms House Penitentv &c		$55700.00
Watch		33456.00
Lamps	$12.035.91	
deduct for oil casks sold	231.84	11804.07
For Fire Department	5771.31	
deduct for Engine Sold	750.00	5021.31
For interest on debt paid	38283.84	
deduct interest received	520.55	37763.29

[37] For Salaries		$12058.72
Repairs		5549.04
Board of Health	10487.70	
deduct returned by treasurer	243.00	10244.70
For Roads		3594.34
Common Schools and Charities		9776.61
Police Office	4032.51	
deduct unredeemed property sold	230.31	3802.20
For County Contingencies		4190.07
Streets paid out	20899.14	
deduct receipts	20565.15	333.99
For Justices Courts paid out	4875.00	
deduct receipts from fees	4241.37	633.63
For Criminal Courts paid	9318.93	
deduct fines recd	1441.30	7877.63
For Working Convicts	2000.00	
deduct charge on avenues	24.20	1975.80
For Printing and Stationary		971.44
Annual Election		844.00
Coroners fees		1203.67
Wells and Pumps paid out	2670.19	
deduct recd from Assessmt	1125.22	1544.97
New dredging machine		4841.88
New Watch house		2956.45
Markets		10748.26
Battery		16661.68
Making a total of		$243.553.75
Balance in the treasy 31 Dec. 1822		3084.81
[38] Making a grand total of		$246638.56

The several subjects comprised in the Said Communication were referred to the following Committees.

So much as relates to the Fire Department to the committee on the Fire Department.

So much as relates to Tax for sinking the debt created by building Fulton market to the Finance Committee.

So much as relates to an Act authorising the Corporation to assess & collect an annual tax on the City to disburse the current expenses of the Year—to the Finance Committee.

So much as relates to an alteration in the mode of assessing & Collecting. the taxes of the City. to the Committee on Public Offices.

So much as relates to the payment of a fixed Salary to the Several officers to be appointed by the Common Council & that all fees be paid into the Public Treasury to the Commᵉᵉ on Public Offices. A Resolution directing the Counsel to prepare a memorial to the Legislature in Conformity with [39] the above was presented and referred to the Same Committee

So much as relates to an Increase of the Sum paid for licenses of Hackney Carriages to the Police Committee

So much as relates to the Tavern & Excise Licenses to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

All the remaining Subjects of the communication to the Finance Committee

Mʳ Cowdrey Stated that he had noticed an Item of Considerable Amount in the Expenditures of last Year was money paid for Working the Convicts He thought that among the other Committees raised on the subjects of the Mayor's Communicatⁿ one in relation to the Alms House & Penitentiary would be proper He therefore moved that a Special Commᵉᵉ be appointed for that purpose which was agreed to & the Mayor appointed that Committee to Consist of Mʳ Cowdrey. Doughty Parker. Ald Taylor. King.

[40] Mr Doughty presented two resolutions one that application be made to the Legislature for authority to assess & Levy annually a tax on Fire Insurance Companies to be applied to defray the expense of the Fire Departmᵗ & another for a law to assess and levy annually a tax on the banks in this city to be applied to expenses for detecting counterfeiters of Bank notes which resolutions were read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

The following petitions for offices were read & referred to the Committee on Applications.

Of Henry Carpenter for some appointment under the Board

Of Henry K Frost for office of Clerk of One of the Assistant Justices Courts.

Of Silvester L'Hommedieu for appᵗ to the office of Clerk of the Police.

Of Resolvert Stephens Assist. Clerk of the Police to be promoted to the office of Clerk of Police

[41] Of Simon Fleet for appointment as Clerk of one of the Assistant Justices Courts.

A Recommendation of John Guion Junr to be appointed one of the Police Justices

Of Lawrence Kneeland to be appointed Clerk of One Assist. Justices Courts,

Of Cornelius C Myers to be appointed a Street Inspector.

Of Ebenezer Burling to be continued in the office he now holds of Clerk of 5th & 8th ward Courts.

A Petition of Samuel S Newman to be permitted to continue in Store some Hemp which he had placed there not knowing the Law the Store being No 37 Burling Slip & Fire proof the Hemp is in the 5th Story & no fire is kept in the building but by himself on the ground floor. which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Elizabeth Morris owner of Certain lots in the 4th Ward bounded in Front on Front & South Streets & [42] & between Dover & Roosevelt Streets upon which a Quit Rent is reserved & praying to be permitted to commute for the Same was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition from the Inhabitants of Stanton & Rivington Ludlow & Norfolk, Suffolk & Arundel Streets praying for the establishments of a watch in the Vicinity was referred to the Watch Commee

A Petition of Jacob Hays High Constable for himself & other Peace officers attending the Police office requesting that a Fee bill may be established for the services of himself & other Officers was read & referred to the Comee on Laws.

A Pet. of John & Nicholas Haight was received stating that they have established in the [city] a Carpet Manufactory and they are informed that by the Act for the encouragement of Manufactures in this State passed 28th of Feb. 1817. their Buildings [43] Machinery and articles manufactured are exempt from taxation they therefore pray that the tax assessed on them may be remitted which being read was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition from the Butchers of Catharine Markets complaining of persons selling meat from wagons in the Bowery to the great detriment of the licensed butchers was read & referred to the market Committee.

A Petition of Isaac Haring to be appointed on the first vacancy occurring to the office of Captain of City Watch was read & referred to the Watch Committee

A Communication from Gilbert Merritt recommending that the Justices of the Marine Court Should be made Salary officers &c was read and referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

A Certificate was presented from the [44] Assessors of the 9th ward stating that a mistake had been made in the Assessment books on 6 acres of Land in the name of Augustus Sackett it was assessed at $1200 & was carried out at $12 000.

Also that the estate of John Rogers in Greenwich lane was assessed at $12 000 but was carried out in the books $1200 whereupon the same was referred to the Commee on Assessments.

The Special Committee of Which Ald. Mead is chairman to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor on the Subject of the health of the City presented the following report in relation to the establishment of a Fever Hospital which was read the resolution proposed adopted & the Counsel directed to prepare the memorial & Bill recommended.

The Committee to whom was referred a communication from the Mayor on the Subject of the Public health [45] beg leave to present this further report.

That they have duly considered that part of the Communication which relates to the erection of a Fever Hospital in the vicinity of the Alms House. That in their opinion a Hospital for the purposes alluded to by they Mayor is very desirable and would no doubt be the means of preserving many valuable lives particularly Should this City again be visited with contagious pestilential or infectious fevers. That the removal of the Sick to Staten Island our only resource at present has been attended with unpleasant Consequences and is at all times obnoxious to the affected That instances have occurred when the Sick were detained on board of the boat employed in their removal for the greater part of the day, owing to the unfavorable State of the wind and tide and that on their arrival at the Island a Short distance of Land Carriage was still to be performd that Although every attention has [46] been paid to the Sick both by the nurses and Physicians at the Marine Hospital there was nevertheless an unpleasant feeling frequently expressed against being placed in a Hospital where Foreigners and Sea faring men were carried and received. That these difficulties and unpleasant feelings would entirely cease if a Hospital that could be approached either by land or water in the course of one or two hours at farthest was provided to be under the Superintendance of Citizens selected by the Common Council and nurses & Physicians whose talents and fitness would insure to the afflicted the best of

Medical advice and attendance. That this object desirable as it is cannot be carried into effect by the means possessed by the Common Council, but as the preservation of the Health of this Metropolis must be of vast importance to the State at Large and as his excellency the Governor has been [47] pleased to bring this Subject to the consideration of the Legislature in a manner that must demand their attention the Committee have reason to believe that efficient aid will be granted by that Honorable body should suitable application be made for the purpose and they therefore propose the following resolution

Resolved that the Counsel be instructed to prepare a memorial to the Legislature setting forth the importance of establishing a Hospital for fever Patients on some of the land belonging to the Corporation in the 9th ward and praying *from* such donation from the State in aid of erecting said Hospital as they in their wisdom Shall deem meet.

Signed Henry Mead
William Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
Wm H Ireland.

It was ordered that the communication of the Mayor on the Fiscal concerns of the City be published in the papers employed by the Board

adjourned

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[49] In Common Council. January 20th *1821* [1823]

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
James Hall	Samuel Cowdrey
George Zabriskie	John Webb
James Fairlie	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Jacobus Dyckman	Georege S Doughty
Henry Mead	George Downing

The minutes of the Last regular meeting & of the Special meeting were read and approved.

A Petition of William C Barker for relief from Assessments of tax was read & refd to the Committee on Assessments.

The following petitions for appointments [50] were presented and referred to the Committee on Applications for office

Of S R Kneeland & W^m^ Chivvis for appointment of Lawrence Kneeland as clerk of one of the Justices courts or to some other office under the Board.

Of W^m^ Nicols for appointment of office of Street Inspector

Of Moses Cunningham Esq^r^ to be reappointed to the office he now holds of Assistant Justice of 5^th^ & 8^th^ wards court.

Of Grove Cunningham for appointm^t^ as Clerk of the Justices Court

Of Samuel Howell to be appointed an Inspector of Lumber

Of John Fellows. to be appointed one of the Justices of Police.

Of Edward Trenor for appointm^t^ of Clerk of one of the Assistant Justices Courts

Of W^m^ Cargill to be appointed to the office of Street Inspector

A Similar petition from Andrew Jackson

Of George Betts to be appointed to the office he now holds of Clerk of [51] 4^th^ & 6^th^ Ward Courts.

Of Samuel Loyd to be appointed Street Inspector.

Of Henry Abel to be reappointed to the office he now holds of Police Justice

Of Josiah Hedden to be reappointed to the office he now holds of Police Justice

Of James Hopson to be reappointed to the office he now holds of Police Justice

Of James Warner to be appointed to the office of Police Justice.

Of George B Rapalye to be reappointed to the office he now holds of Clerk of the Police

Of James Hazard for appointment to the office of Clerk of the Police.

A Petition was presented by James Greig to be appointed an Inspector of Firewood which was ref^d^ to the Committee on Wh'ves Piers & Slips

A Complaint from a number of Butchers & others of persons selling meat in the city from wagons was read and laid on the table until the coming in of report of the Street Comm^ee^ on that Subject. The Committee [52] afterwards recommended an amendment to the Market Law.

A Remonstrance from the Vestry of Trinity Church against the Law respecting interments was read & laid on the table.

A Petition of Rachel Hazleton praying for a reduction of personal tax assessed on her was referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Proposition from Richard Wilcox offering his improved Mud machine to the Corporation on certain conditions & praying that the Subject might be referred to a Committee with whom he may confer was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers &c

A Petition of Messrs Carter & Prentiss that the New York Statesman & Evening advertiser may be employed as one of the Corporation papers was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

[53] A Petition of Meserole & Higgins for relief from penalties for which suits are now pending against them for not removing dirt from Streets promising more attention in future was referred to the Police Committee

A Pet of John Johnson & Sons to be permitted to occupy for a Short time a part of the Wharf in front of their Store to place 50 casks of Flax seed on was ref^{d} to the Alderman & Assistant of the 1st Ward.

A Pet. of Samuel Sawyer Lessee of cellar N^{o} 8 Fulton market requesting permission to surrender the Lease of the Same as he is unable to pay the rent reserved thereon which was read and referred to the Finance committee with powers.

A Petition of Joseph Brewster to be relieved from a penalty incurred by removing earth from the road through ignorance of the Law was read and ref^{d} to the Road Committee.

[54] A Petition of John Fisher for Stall N^{o} 11 Washington market was read & referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Jeremiah Pangburn Foreman of Fire Engine Company N^{o} 29. for a new Engine for said Company was read and referred to the Comm^{be} on the Fire Departm^{t}

A Pet. of the inhabitants in the Vicinity of Hudson Square. Greenwich St. & the North Battery requesting that the Corporation would make application to Congress for a reconveyance or Cession of the North Battery & the Bridge adjoining as the same is now of no importance for military purposes & would be of great convenience to the neighbourhood was read, and referred to the Battery Committee.

A Petition of Smith Bloomfield praying an allowance of certain monies paid into the treasury as interest on an Assessment for building [55] a Sewer on Chapple St. was ref^{d} to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Matthew Carter praying for a reduction of a personal tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of James ODonnell praying a compensation for extra drawings of plans Specifications &c of Fulton mark[t] was read and referred to the Special comm[ee] consisting of such members of the Board as were members of the Committee for Building Fulton mark[t]

A Petition of Abraham Lozier for Stall N° 2 Spring St. market now held by Alexander Jeroleman who is retiring from business was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition in behalf of the Directors of the eye Infirmary praying that an annual donation of $500 may be made to them by the Corporation for the support of said Institution which was referred [56] to the Committee on Charity.

A Petition of Cornelius Bogert Exec[r] of John Bogert dec[d] for relief from interest charged on an assessment laid on property of testator which was read & referred to the Comm[ee] on Assessments.

A Petition of Charles Meeks for relief from a Judgement obtained against him for not complying with an ordinance for filling in Lots which Ordinance had been complied with, was referred to the Police Committee with Powers.

A Pet. of Sundry inhabitants of Water St. praying that the same may be regulated & paved between Catharine market. & Rutgers Slip was referred to the Street Committee

The following were appointed Fire wardens & Firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

[57] Fire Wardens 10[th] Ward.

Leonard G Hoofman Grocer Pump St
vice David Seaman resigned

George Jacobs. Sugar baker 65 Forsyth St
vice Daniel Slocum time out.

Engine Co. N° 5.

George Went Account[t] 83 Chatham St.
vice James H McKenzie resigned

N° 11.

George Derusha Shoemaker. 32 Broad St.
vice Niel Gray. resigned

N° 13.

Frederick Mc*Kinsey* [Kenzie] Hatter N° 451 Pearl St
vice Daniel W Townsend resigned

Gideon Angelis Teacher Cherry St 137.
vice Joseph S Mott. resigned

N° 20.

Moses C Hedden Painter 27 Read St
vice Leonard W Archer dead

N° 21.

W^m Low. Mechanic 44 Cheapside St
vice Philip W Engs. app^d Eng^r

N° 22

W^m Conden Carpenter Henry St vice Robert T Hicks Resigned

N° 24.

Jesse West Cooper Burling Slip vice Selah Van Duzer resigned

[58] N° 25.

Cyrus White pocket book maker vice Isaac Ball Jun^r Resigned
Abraham Lockwood Merchant 30 Div^n vice Robert Brown resigned

N° 27.

John Addy Stone Cutter 11 watt St.
vice Daniel Paine time expired
Albert Berdan Carpenter Sullivan
vice Tunis Van Winkle time expired

The Street Comm^r presented the following Assessments which were confirmed & Collectors appointed therefor Viz^t

For regulating and paving Mercer St. from Prince to Bleecker St.

For a Well and Pump in Desbrosses St. near Hudson St. & Morris De Camp was appointed Collector in each

For regulating and paving Canal St from Broadway to Collect St. & Noah Jarvis was appointed Collector

He also presented the following communication enclosing a note from W^m Edgar declining to take out the Water Grants opposite his property in Delancy Street.

[59] The Street Commissioner herewith presents a communication from william Edgar Esq^r in relation to the grant of water lots on the Easterly side of Delancy Slip.

The present grant to Mr Edgar extends only to the Southerly Side of Mangin St. and as he declines extending it further it rests with the Common Council to offer a Grant to some other person or improve it for the benefit of the City.

If, as has been contemplated some improvement shall be made to Delancy Slip the ensuing Season by extending the pier on the Easterly side to Tompkins Street the undersigned would suggest the propriety

of an early decision on the subject hereby offered for the consideration of your Honorable body.

(Signed) R Graves. St. Comr

Mr Edgars note was as follows.

New York Janr 13 1822

Dr Sir

I have reflected on the propriety of taking a grant for the water right [60] beyond my property at Delancy St. The improvement contemplated I consider too premature particularly so when coupled with the requisition of two thirds of the expence—and benefit only arising from the unprofitable Side Whey—Under these circumstances my interest induces me to decline applying for a grant. I feel myself under obligations to you for your personal attentions to me and beg leave to Subscribe myself Sincerely Your friend

W Edgar.

R Graves St. Comr

Which were read and ordered to be filed

He also presented a return of delinquents on Assessments which was read and referred to the finance Commee

He also presented the following communication with a Copy of a Map shewing the line of High & low water on the East river from Bullock (now Broome St. to Rivington St. which was approved and the Map [61] directed to be filed in the Street Commissioners office.

The Street Commissioner begs leave to lay before the Common Council a true Copy of an original map Shewing the line of High Water and Low Water at the East River from Bullock now Broome St. to Rivington St in order that it may be approved of by the board and filed in the Street Commrs office as the Original Map is drawn on inferior paper and much broken

The necessity of preserving evidences of original high and low water marks must be apparent when it is considered that by the rapid improvements along the shores of the East & North Rivers every vestige of the Original lines will in a very short time be lost and much inconvenience experienced. Respectfully submitted

(Signed) R Graves St. Comr

The City Inspector presented the annual return of Deaths & interments which was directed to be printed as usual

[62] An Annual report of Interments in the City and County of New York Commencing on the 1st day of January and ending on the 31st of December 1822 Shewing the ages sexes and diseases of the persons who died.

1822.	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Septemr	October	Novemr	Decembr	Total
Men	88	65	74	68	69	67	80	108	117	117	69	75	997
Women	60	52	62	41	56	56	41	69	78	67	59	54	695
Boys	65	58	68	64	64	57	103	100	68	65	63	61	836
Girls	65	54	47	39	48	55	94	93	65	57	45	41	703
Total.....	278	229	251	212	237	235	318	370	328	306	236	231	3,231
Ages													
of whom were of the age of 1 year & under....	69	65	59	57	59	64	118	87	56	56	52	51	793
between 1 & 2.....	16	15	14	17	13	13	39	60	28	20	14	15	264
2 & 5.....	22	15	25	13	16	15	19	21	15	22	18	18	219
5 & 10.....	9	6	4	8	8	8	9	11	8	9	10	11	181
10 " 20.....	14	9	14	9	13	8	10	12	25	15	13	8	150
20 " 30.....	29	26	32	30	28	40	34	50	44	49	38	27	427
30 40.....	32	24	33	23	35	41	31	41	60	47	29	25	421
40 50.....	26	29	25	23	26	19	27	34	37	41	21	25	333
50 60.....	25	11	17	12	17	12	19	27	19	23	14	17	203
60 70.....	13	11	19	7	9	6	14	16	16	14	13	18	156
70 80.....	13	10	4	9	5	5	6	7	13	9	8	9	98
80 90.....	9	6	4	3	7	3	2	4	5	1	4	7	54
90 100.....	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	10
100 & upwards..	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total.....	278	229	251	212	237	235	318	370	328	306	236	231	3,231

[63] Remarks

The City Inspector respectfully Reports to the Board a statement of Deaths in the City and County of New York for the Year 1822 amounting to 3231. being 311 less than reported the preceeding year. The cause of this decrease might at first view be attributed solely to the removal of the Inhabitants from the City during the prevalence of the late calamitous visitation of Yellow Fever; particulaly as during the months of august September and October when that pestilence afflicted Our City fewer deaths occurred and those Chiefly among children than in the corresponding months of the preceeding year: but it ought to be observed that during the other Nine months while our City was crowded with inhabitants a decrease of 176 deaths took place when compared with the same months of the former year. a sufficient proof that our city was generally more healthy than at that period The entire number of Fever cases that terminated Fatally during the last year amounted to 388 being 51 more than occurred [in] 1821. but of this 388,165 were of Yellow fever and one malignant case that took place in November in the State Prison. The following table is subjoined showing the places of Nativity and the Sexes of those who died of yellow fever the deaths ranged principally from 20 to 60 years 8 cases occurred above 60 & above 70 & 1 at 80 and eight persons of Colour were among the number

(Signed) George Cumming

[64] Places of nativity	Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total
New York	19	11	10	5	45
State of Do	4	5	1	0	10
New Jersey	4	3	2	0	9
Connecticut	6	7	0	0	13
Massachusetts	4	2	0	1	7
Rhode Island	0	1	0	0	1
Pensylvania	1	1	0	0	2
Maryland	1	0	0	1	2
Nova Scotia	1	0	0	0	1
West Indies	0	1	0	0	1
Germany	8	1	0	0	9
Holland	1	1	0	0	2
France	2	0	0	0	2
England	18	6	0	0	24
Wales	1	0	0	0	1
Scotland	2	1	0	0	3
Ireland	21	9	0	3	33
Total	93	49	63	10	165

Number of Colored person that died of all diseases during the Year was Three hundred & Ninety six.

He also presented the following ordinanᵃ for correction of Nuisances which were [65] passed Vizᵗ

The City Inspector respectfully presents to the Board the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances.

Nº 1.	J Fursman	Occupᵗ	23	New St.	A Privy
2	Fˢ Fuller	do	62	Bᵈway	do
3	J W Forbes	do	90	do	do
4	Wᵐ B Gilley	do	92	do	do
5	Thomas Carpenter	do	176	do	do
6	Richᵈ P Lawrence	do	*57*	[5, 7 & 9] John St	do
7	Wᵐ Bull	do	2	Wall St	do
8	Mary Burnton	do	44	Cedar	do
9	R Patterson	do	70	Liberty	do
10	Jˢ dando	do	9	Maiden Lane	do
11	J Ford	do	17	do	do
12	T S Bailey	do	21	"	"
13	A W Gieb	do	23	"	"
14	Widow Mabbit	do	1 & 3	Park	"
15	H Douglass	do	5	do	do
16	Isaac Delamater	do	17 & 19	do	do
17	James Corwin	do	*27.*	do	do
18	James Sweeney	do	*18* [29]	do	do
19	Thomas Lewis	do	29½	do	do
20	Chaˢ Billings	do	21½	Nassau	do
21	J Pringle	do	25	do	do
22	M Hume	do	*26*	do	do
23	A Merrell	do	80	do	do
24	[66] Francis Epwell	do	*80* [82]	do	do
25	Levy *Gryas* [Grigus]	do	*82* [84]	do	do
26	Zacharias Sickles	do	*84* [86]	do	do
27	James Wyckoff	do	129	Fulton	do
28	Joseph Niel	do	141	do	do
29	Wᵐ Robinson	do	147	do	do
30	Richᵈ Lowrie	do	11	Ann	do
31	Archibald Welden	do	15	do	do
32	John Gibson	do	104	Beekman	do
33	Jaˢ Anderson	do	108	do	do
34	Jⁿᵒ Berger	do	5	Theatre alley	"
35	Samuel Berry	do	10	do	do
36	Mrs Burger	do	8	Ann St	do
37	B Moore	do	2	John	do

(Signed) George Cumming

C. I.

The Comptroller presented the following on the Account of Richard Riker Chairman of the Special Committee of the board of Health. Viz[t]

The Comptroller respectfully reports that he has examined the account of Richard Riker Esq[r] Chairman of the Special Committee of the Board of Health for expenses incurred during the last Autumn

[67] There was paid on the 16[th] of September last	$750.00
on the 14[th] of Oct[r]	400.00
Cash repaid to correct mistake in Carting	0.75
	$1150.75
Amount of Accounts paid agreably to vouchers filed in the Compt[s] office	1150.75

Signed G. N Bleecker Comp[r]

Which was directed to be filed

He also presented a Statement of the Common lands in the 9[th] Ward the leases of the largest portion of which will expire on the 1[st] of May next

Which was referred to the Finance comm[ee]

*The Attorney of the Board in behalf of the Counsel who is absent from the City presented the draft of a memorial to the Legislature and a corresponding bill for the erection of a Fever Hospital in this City Which were approved and directed to be authenticated & transmitted to the Legislature.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the [68] board a letter he had received from the Counsel dated Albany Jan. 14 1823 stating that the Supreme Court had confirmed the report of the Comm[rs] in the Case of Maiden lane. Whereupon it was resolved that the Street Comm[r] give notice that the improvement of opening Maiden lane will commence on the first day of May next & all buildings are to be removed within 20 days thereafter. The subject of the sewer in Maiden lane was referred to the Canal Committee and that of Regulating and paving the Street was referred to the Street Committee. The Counsel also Stated in his Letter that the Supreme Court. had decided that the Assessment in the case of the Common Sewer through Canal Street shall be vacated & annulled. he wished to be informed whether the Corporation intended to carry the Case into the Court of Errors believing, (as also the Counsel connected with him) that the opinion of the [69]

*Marginal note reads *The Public Administrator (Benj[a] Prince) presented the Annual Statement of his Accounts made agreeably to the directions of the Statute, which was referred to the Finance Committee.*—Ed.

Supreme Court is erroneous he thought it his duty in the absence of instructions to the Contrary to bring the case as Speedily as possible before the Court of Errors. He added that if the Corporation declined prosecuting the Writ of Error it can be dismissed at any time Whereupon after some discussion it was resolved that the Counsel be directed to proceed in the prosecution of the Cause before the Court of Errors. The Counsel transmitted a copy of the Opinion of the Supreme Court which was directed to be filed.

His Honor the Mayor presented the following suggested to him by the difference existing between the Bethel & N York Free Schools respecting a division of the School fund.

The difference existing between the New York & Bethel Free School Society's on the Subject of the division of the School fund for this County has suggested the following idea Whether it is not just & equitable that the School established by the Corporation at the Almshouse at which upwards of 200 Children are [70] educated on the Lancasterian plan ought not to be considered, as it is in fact, a free School; and therefore entitled to a proportion of the money appropriated for the establishment & maintenance of Common Schools in this City

This Subject is submitted to the Common Council in order that it may be referred to some proper Committee for consideration and if deemed expedient that application be made to the Legislature for an amendment to the Law that will meet the object in view

Submitted by the
Mayor.

Which was referred to the Committee on applications to the Legislature.

The Special Committee on the Communication from the Mayor respecting the health of the City reported as follows.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Mayor on the Subject of [71] preserving the Health of the City

Report.

That they have bestowed much time and attention on the revisal of the Health Law. a corrected copy of which they now present to the board for their Consideration and they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Counsel prepare an engrossed copy of the aforesaid Law together with a memorial to the Legislature praying for its

passage & that such memorial be executed and forwarded to the Legislature during the recess of the Board.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Henry Mead
Henry J Wyckoff
William Thorn
William H Ireland
R Riker.

Whereupon the Health Law reported by them was considered by paragraphs & amended. the Resolution proposed by the Committee was adopted and the Counsel directed to prepare a memorial to the Legislature & an engrossed Copy of [72] the Law.

The Committee on applications to the Legislature to whom was referred so much of the Mayors communication as relates to tavern & Excise licenses reported as follows.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the so much of the Mayors communication to the Common Council as relates to Tavern and Excise licenses Report.

That they have had under their Consideration the bill prepared by direction of the board, in the winter of 1822. on the aforesaid subjects and having introduced some small amendments to the said Bill and caused it to be printed for the use of the members they beg leave to present it to the board and recommend that if concurred in it be laid before the Legislature in order that it may receive their Sanction.

The following resolution is proposed to cause the Law to regulate [73] Tavern and Excise Licenses to be engrossed and a memorial to the Legislature praying for its passage into a Law prepared and that the Mayor sign & Seal said memorial and transmit it to the Legislature during the recess of the board

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
James Hall
S Cowdrey
Asa Mann
Thomas Bolton.

Whereupon the Law proposed by the Committee was considered by paragraphs approved & the resolution proposed directing the Counsel to prepare a memorial & bill to the Legislature & that the same be authenticated was adopted.

The Same Committee presented a report on the Subject of the District or Justices Courts in the City recommending that all cases to amount of $100 dollars be brought in these Courts to exclusion of the Marine Court, & the Common Pleas court, to have concurrent jurisdiction in cases above $50. Whereupon the Counsel was directed to [74] report a memorial & Bill agreably to the report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition for the change of the name of part of Hubert Street to York St reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of all the owners of Houses & Lots of that part of Hubert St. which lies between Chapel St & St Johns Lane praying that that part of the Street may have the name changed to York Street Report.

That inasmuch as that part of Hubert St. stated in the petition is detached from that part leading to the River by St. Johns Church and the Hudson park there is no doubt great inconvenience experienced by the inhabitants thereof and therefore respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that that part of Hubert St. lying between Chapel St. & St Johns lane be changed to [75] that of York Street and that it be marked and numbered accordingly

Signed Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
David Marsh
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the memorial presented on 13th of May last requesting that a plan may be made of the ground between the Bowery road and the East River reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Sundry Owners of land lying between the Bowery & the East river and extending from North Street to 28th St. praying that Such Surveys plans & models may be directed to be made as that they may be enabled to ascertain the precise regulation of the Several Streets & Avenues which intersect the Same

Report, that they have had the subject under their deliberate consideration And are of the opinion that it would [76] be improper to grant their request as it would be attended with considerable expense And as the Streets are not Ceded to the public such expence could not legally be Assessed on the Owners of all the property to be benefited

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the petitioners

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Wm H Ireland
Asa Mann
Samuel St. John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition for paving Canal St. from Church to Sullivan St. reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Owners of property on Canal Street from Sullivan to Church St praying that the Street may be regulated & paved and the [77] Side Walks gravelled

Report that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and also that Chapel St be made to conform thereto by paving Said St. from Canal to Lispenard Street and therefore respectfully recommend the Adoption of the following resolutions

Resolved that Canal St be regulated & paved from Sullivan St. to Church Street

Resolved that Chapel St. be regulated & paved from Canal St. to Lispenard St. and that the St Commissioner report ordinans for carrying the Same into effect.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
David Marsh
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications on the petn of John Moore to be appointed a City Weigher reported in his favour as follows

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Moore to be appoind a City Weigher beg leave to report [78] That the prayer of the petitioner be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that John Moore be and he is hereby appointed a City Weigher

Signed David Marsh
George S Doughty
Jacobus Dyckman.

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly.

The Finance Committee on the petition of Elizabeth Morris to be permitted to commute for certain Quit rent reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Elizabeth Morris for the Commutation of Quit rent on several water lots granted to her in the year 1811.

Report that inasmuch as the Quit Rents receivable by the corporation are part of the permanent Revenue of the City and that in the opinion of your Committee it is inexpedient to lessen that revenue They recommend the following [79] resolution

Resolved that the Prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) James Hall
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff
Samuel Cowdrey
George Zabriskie

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee presented the following Statement on subject of contributing to the Farmers Turnpike Comy towards expences of Road from Hudson to Albany.

The Finance Committee beg leave to lay before the Board the following Statement. To wit)

Some time in the month of July last Your Committee were waited upon by Mr William Ashly agent of the Farmers Turnpike Company for the road from the City of Hudson to the City of Albany Informing them that said road was so much out of repair as to render it necessary for the [80] mail to Go by the way of the Old road by which the distance between the Cities of New York & Albany is increased from 149 miles and 72/80 to more than 150 miles by which alteration of the distance the postage may be raised 50 per cent above its present rate He further Stated that the Company were unable to defray the whole expence of repairing said road and had authorised him to make proposals to the Corporation the Banks & *and* Citizens of New York and Albany that if those cities would each contribute the Sum of $1250 the Company would proceed forthwith to repair said road and would transfer to the parties Contributing Stock of the Company to three times the amount of their Contributions The Corporation Banks & Citizens of Albany having already subscribed the said sum of $1250 on their part and the Committee deeming it a matter of considerable importance whether [81] the postage between the two Cities com-

puted to amount to some 7000 or 8000 dollars per annum Should be Subjected to an advance of 50 per Cent on account of a refusal on the part of N York to contribute the Sum applied for advised the Said Agent and requested t[w]o of its members to endeavour to ascertain How far the Banks would contribute & signified to Mr Ashly that if the Banks would generally Subscribe the comm^ee^ would probably report in favour of such Sum as the Board Should think proper to grant.

Mr Ashly has now returned to the City and has laid before your Comm^ee^ Certificates of the Inspectors of Turnpikes for that part of the road described that the said road is in good repair and that the Gates may be erected and toll collected according to law Mr Ashly further Stated that he left the City last Summer so fully impressed from what had been expressed to him by the Chairman of the Committee that a report would be made in favour of his application [82] that he ventured to go forward & complete the Said repairs under Such expectation. Under these circumstances Your Committee Submit for the consideration of the Board the following resolution

Resolved that the sum of dollars be granted to the Farmers Turnpike company for the *Company for the* road from Hudson to Albany for the purposes of defraying in part the expences of repairing said Road.

(Signed) James Hall
Henry J Wyckoff
S. Cowdrey
George Zabriskie
William H Ireland

The Same being read & the question taken on agreeing to the resolution it passed in the negative.

The Same Committee on the Petition of the N. York & Jersey Steam boat Comp^y^ praying for reduction of rent reported against the Prayer of the Petition as follows.

[83] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of the York & Jersey Steam Boat Ferry Company requesting an abatement in their rent in conseq[u]ence of the prevalence of the late Yellow fever in the City of New York

Report.

That Your Committee cannot preceive any Justifiable ground for the appropriation of a part of the Public funds to the Special relief of the said memorialist as they have only suffered in Common with their

fellow citizens the interruptions and privations arising from the general Calamity with which our city has been visited.

They therefore recommend the following Resolutions

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the said memorialist

(Signed) James Hall
Henry J Wyckoff.
Wm H Ireland
S. Cowdrey
George Zabriskie

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[84] The Committee on Assessments on the Petition of the Reverend Wm Harris for relief from payment of personal tax reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of the Reverd Wm Harris praying to be released from his Personal tax

Report that they have satisfied themselves of the Justice of his claim being a minister of the Gospel and in the Opinion of your Committee entitled to relief Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the third ward refrain from collecting a personal tax from the Reverend Wm Harris and return the Same in the list of Errors & insolvencies of said Ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn Chn
George S Doughty
George Zabriskie
Henry J Wyckoff
Henry Mead.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[85] The Same Committee on the Petition of Wm Cahoone for relief from tax reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Wm Cahoone praying to be relieved from his personal tax

Report that the assessors of the third Ward have given a certificate in Which they certify that they are satisfied that he is destitute of property

Your Committee beg leave to offer the following resolution Resolved that the Collector of the third Ward refrain from Collecting

a personal tax from W^m^ Cahoone and that he return the same in the list of Errors & insolvencies of said Ward.

(Signed) W^m^ Thorn
George S Doughty
George Zabriskie
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Market Committee on the petition of John Chivvis for remission of Rent due on [86] his stall reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Chivvis Butcher Stating that he is indebted to the Corporation for Stall rent which he is unable to pay and prays relief

Report that the petitioner has become embarrassed but they do not believe that it is sufficient cause that the Corporation should relieve him from the payment of the rent now due or suffer him to hold the Stand without pay—they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

respectfully submitted

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
Samuel St John
John Webb
David Marsh

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of [87] Butchers & others complaining of persons Selling meat from wagons in the Streets reported as follows

The Market Comm^ee^ to Whom was referred the petition of the Butchers renting Catherine Market representing that persons are in the practice of vending meat in the Bowery and other places contrary to Law which operates very much against them as well as the revenue of the City they pray the ordinance restraining the Selling of fresh meat in any Street or place in this City other than the public markets or Street adjoining thereto may be enforced or such other remedy as may relieve them from the grievance complained of Report:

That during this Season of the Year a great number of persons from the Country resort with their wagons to the Bowery to dispose of Mutton veal pork, poultry &c which no doubt injures the Markets nearest thereto and more particularly as they hold a kind of Market

all day the Ordinance above alluded to declares that no fresh meat in quarters Joints or pieces shall be [88] [sold other] than in the public Markets or Streets adjoining or contiguous thereto or used for such purposes under the penalty of ten dollars for each offence but as most of this meat brought in those wagons are sold by the carcase or saddle as it is called some doubts have arisen whether they are liable to the penalty imposed by the aforesaid ordinance for the purpose of removing that doubt Your Commee have prepared an amendment to the Law to regulate the public markets which they beg leave to Submit.

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
Samuel St John
John Webb
David Marsh

Whereupon the Law proposed by them was passed under the title of "A Law to amend a Law entitled A Law to regulate the Public Markets."

The Committee on Wharves Piers &c [89] on the petition for appointing an inspector of Firewood at Manhattanville reported as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed petition of Sundry inhabitants residents of Manhattanville Stating the necessity of having an inspector of Firewood in that village and praying that Abraham Van Osdall may be appointed beg leave to Report

That they are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that Abraham Van Osdall be and he is hereby appointed as inspector of Fire Wood And that his district comprise all that Space laying between the north Side of fort Gansevoort and the north side of the dock at Manhattan Ville which space shall be known as the Sixteenth wood inspection district

(Signed) William H Ireland
James Hall
Asa Mann
E W. King
Shivers Parker

[90] Which was approved and he was appointed an Inspector of Firewood accordingly.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petitions for the Erection of Several Wharves & Piers reported as follows.

The Committee On Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the several annexed Petitions praying for the erection of a number of Piers (to wit)

One near the foot of Roosevelt St.
One at the foot of Chamber Street
One in the center of Albany basin
And an extension of the middle pier at Washington Market
Beg leave to Report

That from estimates it is understood the Sum required to Complete these Piers will fall little Short of $50000. a sum which in the opinion of your Committee ought not to be added to that already required to meet the Current expenses of the present Year they therefore recommend to [91] the Board that these improvements be dispensed for the present and Respectfully Submit the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) William H Ireland
James Hall
Asa Mann
E W King
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

His Honor the Mayor stated that since the erection of the Stepping Mill in this City he was receiving Application from various parts of the United States for a plan and description of the machine that as but few of the reports on the Subject had been printed for the use of the members and none of the Copies now remained that to give a satisfactory description of the Machine in Writing was a work of Some labour & he suggested the propriety of directing some copies of the report to be printed Whereupon [92] it was resolved that one hundred Copies be printed for the use of the Mayor & he was also requested to add to it such observations as to improvements which the trial of the Machine had suggested

Resolved that the subject of the disposal of the Watch house of the 3d Watch district be referred to the Finance Committee

The Mayor Stated that he had a communication to make which in his opinion was of a confidential nature Whereupon the Lobby was cleared and the Doors Closed.*

* No entry, although space left for same.—Ed.

[93] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 6th inst	$265.48
Received for tax of 1822, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, wards	16105.
" Justices Courts	740.04
" Wells & Pumps	430.00
" Mayoralty fees	90.
" Sales at Public Yard	87.50
" Excise	53.
" Police office	27.75
	$17.798.77

40 Accounts audited

Leek & Walton *Walton* Watch 1s dist	$813.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3rd	624.75
George B. Smith Assist. St Comr 1 Qr Salary	250.
Andrew McCready Keeper of Park 1 Mo. 1 inst	34.87
R. Graves St. Commr for two trees in Park	34.37
Haydock & Jenkins 12 Casks of Oil	1134.92
Stephen Gould Laws of State	156.
Editor Daily advertiser publishing Election law	6.
Editor Commercial do do	4.37
Collecr of taxes—Newtown tax on Corpn land at ferry	2.10
M De Camp Corpn Assessmt pavg Prince St fr Broad Way to Mcdougall	21.94
David Lyon Hose for Engs and repairs 30 Septr to 20 Dec 1822	558.89
Thomas Lovett act pavg Harman St from Montgomery to Grand	500.
H Smith act. regulating & paving Greene St from Spring to Bleecker	400.
[94] H Smith acct. regg & pavg Greene St from Broome to Spring St.	300.
James Rile act. pavg Grand St. from Forsyth to Ludlow St	300.
Thompson Price act buildg Fly market Sewer	300.
R Ayres 137 loads at foot of Fulton & Dey St	17.12
R McMurray repairg intersects Church & Reed St	4.50
John Bailey filling two lots on Christie St	194.37
James Pinkerton bal regg & paving South St from Crane Wf to Peck Slip	621.82
Chas Mooney Acct regulating & paving Mercer St. from Howard to Prince St	300.
G Tucker repairing Canal St Sewer	238.87
Daniel Ewen Surveys & maps to 1 Jany	291.87
Isaac T Ludlum do do	263.29
Amos Corning do do	262.87
Edward W Bridges do do	19.
Robert McQueen machinery for Dredging machine	946.27
James Smith Wharfage for do	26.51
Francis P Vidal Surveying road from City Hall to Harlaem Bridge	11.46
Benjamin Brower Stone at Battery	427.
Geo Charlton bal. Well at Bowery corr Of Prince & Bleecker St	64.62

Geo Charlton bal. Well Laurens C Prince & Houston.....	$35.13
Chas Mooney repairing Sundry Strs last autumn.....	44.49
Reverend John Stanford services past year.....	300.
Jacob P Roome Supt Repairs for Repairs.....	250.
[95] Jacob P Roome Supt of Repairs Lamp department.....	250.00
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House working convts.....	1000.
Arthur Burtis do for Alms House.....	5000.00
	$17156.89
	17798.77
Balance.....	$641.88

Board adjourned.
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[97] In Common Council. February 4th 1823.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
James Hall	Wm H Ireland
George Zabriskie	Samuel Cowdrey
Asa Mann	John Webb
Jacob B Taylor	Shivers Parker
_____	Wm Thorn
_____	David Marsh
_____	George Downing.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

An Account of Peter H Wendover Sheriff for officers attending Courts and Deputy Sheriffs conveying Prisoners to Penitentiary 1 Qr to 1st. Feb. 1823 was presented and on motion of Mr Cowdrey referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

[98] A Petition of Jeremiah Woolsey for appointment as inspector of Firewood with a recommendation in his favor from Certain Inspectors of Firewood & Cartman.

A Similar Petition from Eleazer Jones

And from Arnout Brown were severally read and referred to the Committee On Wharves Piers & Slips.

The following Petitions for appointments were read and referred to the Commee on Applications.

Of. Wm H Van Orden for appointment as Clerk of one of Justices Courts or Street Inspector.

Of Richard De Grote, for appt of Street Inspector.

Of Abraham B Martling for appointt of Keeper of the City Hall.

A Petition of Isaac Rykeman for appointment of Wood Inspector having been appointed some years since but from ignorance of law neglected to qualify. Mr Cowdrey moved that he be appointed, Alderman [99] Mann that it be referred to the Commee on Applications The question being taken on the reference it was carried in the affirmative a division being called the members voted as follows.

Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald. Zabriskie McQueen. Mann. Taylor. Messrs St John Webb Thorn Marsh Doughty Downing 10

Negative Ald Wyckoff King—Hall—Messrs Ireland Coudrey Parker. 6.

A Petition of Effingham Schiefflin for reappointment to the office he now holds of Assistant Justice of 9th Ward.

Of Wm W Tompkins for appointment of Clerk of the Police Office

Of Charles Buxton for appointment to some office under the Corporation

A Recommendation in favour of George Seaman to be appointed one of the Police Justices.

Of James Buckmaster for the appointment of Assistant Justice of one the Wards

Of Daniel Sickles for appointment to [100] the office of Street Inspector

Of Thomas Jeroleman for appointment of Street Inspector

A Petition of Thomas Place Junr to be relieved from a fine incurred was referred to the Market Committee

John Davenport presented a further petition on the Subject of his claim as an original Proprietor of a Stall in the Fly market, which he exchanged for his stall in the Washington market Stating that he considers himself exempt from rent for said Stall & praying that the sum he originally paid for the Stall in the Fly market $50 and *of* the sum he paid on an exchange for his present Stall in Washington Market being $100, be repaid to him with interest or that the action of Ejectment commenced against him for his Stall in Washington mart be discontinued & he enjoy said Stall on paying the former established Market fees, which being read was referred to the Police Committee

[101] A Petition of Whitfield Chase for remission of fines incurred while Sub-contractor of Streets was read and referred to the Commee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Effingham Marsh for Stall No 44 in Washington mar-

ket lately held by Henry Owens deceased. was read and referred to the Market committee

A Petition of Fire Engine Co^{y} N^{o} 31 praying that in consequence of the decayed state of their Engine that a new one may be furnished them was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Departm^{t}

A Petition of Higgins Meserole & Co. Contractors of Street Manure praying that that part of the Law prohibiting their depositing Manure South of a Certain line may be repealed & permission Granted to deposit during the Winter Season under direction of the Street Commissioner was read & referred to the St. Committee

A Petition for a Pump in Lumber Street [102] between Trinity Church Yard & Thomas Street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of 1st Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of James Matthews for relief from a mistake in the assessors books of the 5th Ward where his property was assessed at $3000 instead of $300 was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of W^{m} Dignan that his house in Pike St. may be permitted to remain until some other leases expire was referred to the Street Comm^{ee}

A Petition of the City Weighers praying that a new tariff of their fees may be established was referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Cornelius D Dayton for relief from fine incurred by incumbring the Street was referred to the Police Comm^{ee}

A Petition of Owen McCabe praying [103] that his house in Lombardy Street may be permitted to remain until that Street is regulated in other parts was read and referred to the St^{t} Comm^{ee}

A Petition of W^{m} S Hart, lessee of upper Story of Watch house corner of Wooster & Prince Street. praying a reduction of the rent due was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Kneringer for relief from assessment for paving Mercer Street and Howard St. was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of John Chivvis praying that on account of his indigent circumstances & the distressed State of his family he may be permitted still to occupy his Stall in Washington market was read & referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of a number of inhabitants for an extension of the Fire limits to the Southerly side of Canal St. at the north river thence

along the South side of [104] Said Street to Collect Street thence along the Westerly side of Collect St to Pearl St. and also Two hundred feet on each side of Broadway to Prince Street was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition that Barrow St. may be continued through to Bedford Street was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Abraham Van Nest to be released from the payment of a Personal tax in the 9th Ward having paid tax in the 1st Ward was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of John De Clew Lessee of Flag Staff for a reduction of rent. the ensuing year was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A Petition of James Amory for exchange of two fee lots of Common lands for two lease lots N° 115 & 121 was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[105] A Petition of Sundry Inhabitants that Maiden lane between Pearl & Wm Sts may be raised & the Sewer extended from Pearl to Wm St. was referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of the Minister Elders & Deacons of the Reformed protestant Dutch Church remonstrating against the passage of the Law forbidding the interment of the Dead excepting in Private Vaults. South of Canal Street was read and laid on the table

A request from a Committee of the Humane Society for pecuniary aid in support of that institution was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial from the Cartmen of the City of New York praying that the Law lately passed directing that the rungs of the Carts Should be of greater length than formerly might be repealed, And a communication from Jacob Acker & John Van Cleek inspectors of Firewood stating that the long rungs are far more [106] advantageous to the Citizens & afford a more certain mode of measuring Fire Wood were read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Memorial was presented from the Vestry of Saint Stephens Church stating that the Law for preventing of fires which ordains that no Hay &c shall be kept within ten feet of any dwelling House or Chimney is defective as it does not Protect Public buildings & praying an amendment thereto was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A letter addressed to the Mayor from Richard Varick Esqr was read—Mr Varick proposes that to put an end to all controversies between him & the Corporation he will cede all his right to the land within

his Inclosure Northeasterly of a line to be drawn parallel to Houston Street & 390 feet distant therefrom also land North-Westerly of Thompson Street & 200 feet [107] therefrom in lieu thereof he to receive time and permission until 1st of Septemr next. to remove his Stables and fences & the earth in Bleecker St. between Thompson & Sullivan St. except so much as may be necessary to regulate Thompson Street opposite his land & also the earth remaining in Sullivan St opposite his enclosure & that that earth be permitted to remain there to support his dwelling house &c until the further order of the Common Council and if this proposal be accepted he will then relinquish to the Board . so much of the sum awarded to him by the Commrs of Estimate as may be necessary to defray the Expenses already incurred for enlarging Bleecker Street from 50 to 60 feet opposite to his land and will also release all actions & causes of actions &c

Whereupon the same was referred to the Street Committee

A Memorial was presented from Morgan Lewis & others the owners of Ground lying East of the Bowery road between North & 28th Streets stating that in May last [108] an application was made to the Corporation for a plan of a permanent Regulation of the Streets & Avenues lying within said District but that the Corporation did not act thereon as they did not consider themselves authorized to assess the expences of the same on the Owners they therefore now signify their assent to the enactment of a law authorising the Corporation to adopt a plan for said purpose and to assess the expences of the same upon the owners of Land in said district. Whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Applicas to the Legislature with authority to report a memorial & Bill agreably thereto.

A invitation from the Society for Prevention of Pauperism to attend the 6th anniversary meeting of said Society on the 7th instant at the City Hotel was presented & accepted

A Note was received from Benjamin [109] Romaine transmitting Pamphlets entitled Observations Reasons & Facts disproving importation & all Specific personal contagion in Yellow Fever from any local origin except that which arises from the common Changes of the Atmosphere to be presented to the Several members of the Board which were accepted.

A request from the family of the late John N Luff to be permitted to remove the remains to the Family vault in the Church yard of Garden St was read & laid on the table.

A Memorial from the Reverend Mr Schaeffer Pastor of St

Matthews Church requesting an additional number of Lamps may be placed in Walker St. was read and referred to the Lamp Com^ee

The following were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer Certifying the vacancies

Fire Engine N° 2

George J Bijotat. Upholsterer 90 Division St vice Thomas Fairweather resigned

[110] N° 8

Charles A Peck Accountant Mott St vice James G Youngs, 52 Elizabeth

N° 9

Thomas Pool Carpenter 124 Broad St. vice Edward Meeks time out.

W^m S Miter Grocer 124 Broad St vice David Johnson app^d F. W.

John Gruz Cabinetmaker 60 Broad St vice James Denham time out

N° 15.

W^m Brown Clerk Chatham St vice Whitehead Andrews res^d

N° 29

Joseph Willoughby Cooper Greenwich St. vice Nicolas Vosburg res^d

N° 32.

Frederick Thompson Taylor Elizabeth St. vice John Neal resigned

N° 36.

John Mabie Blacksmith Sullivan St vice Elkana Mead resigned.

Thomas B Saffin Carver. 124 Pump St vice John Copeman Joined N° 27.

N° 39

Alfred D Strong Clerk Broadway vice James Clinch app^d F. W.

[111] N° 39

W^m D Earle Clerk 193 Greenwhich St vice Ussiah Wenman Engineer.

The St. Comm^r presented an ordinance for Paving Canal St. from Church to Sullivan St. & part of Chapel Street which was passed & John Targee Isaac Kip and John Bedient were appointed Assessors.

He also presented Two Assessments for regulating & paving Stanton St. from Ludlow to Willett St. and for Paving the North East Intersection of Stanton & Ridge St. & also 75 feet of Stanton St.

Which were confirmed and Morris De Camp appointed Collector in each

He also presented Returns of Delinquents on the following Assessments & Warrants were ordered to issue to Morris De Camp the Collector Viz[t]

For paving Grand St. Side Walks in Allen St. also in Harman St. For a Well and Pump in Grand St. one in Orchard and one in Columbia St.

[112] The Counsel informed the Board that the reports of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the cases of Maiden lane Bleecker St & Orange St. were confirmed by the Supreme Court He recommended that Collectors be appointed to collect the Assessment Whereupon Noah Jarvis was appointed Collector of Maiden lane and the St. Commissioner was directed to carry into Effect the opening of Orange St & Morris De Camp was appointed Collect[r] the Subject of widening Bleecker Street was referred to the Street Committee

The Comptroller presented the follow[g] report of Public Property to be disposed of.

The Comptroller respectfully presents to the Board a list of the Public Property which may be disposed of the present Season.

All the Butchers Stands in 11 Markets
14 Cellars under Washington Markets
9 do " Centre "
6 do " Catharine "
1 do " Greenwich "
7 do " Franklin "

[113] The apartments in the wings of Fulton markets, Cellars N° 9. 12. 13. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20 under Fulton Market. from 1[st] may & N° 7. 8. 10. 14. from 1 Feb.

The Hay Scales at Duane Market
Rooms in Engine House at Beaver Street
do do Roosevelt St.
do do Rose St.
do do corner Hudson & Christopher
do Watch House Spring St.
do do Corner of Prince & Wooster st.
do do Washington Market.
The above are from the 1[st] of May next.
The Flag Staff at the Battery 1[st] april
Ferry at Horns Hook 1[st] April

The lease of the Docks & Slips will expire on the 1st of May next and it is respectfully recommended that in a future lease a reservation Should be made of a Slip or part of a Slip in a suitable place for the mud machine and any materials that may be deposited for public purposes

Signed G N Bleecker Compr

Whereupon the Subject of disposing of the Butchers Stalls was referred to the Market Committee & the residue to the Finance Committee with authority to [114] dispose of the Same at Public auction or Private contract excepting the Public docks & Slips. which were to be advertised as usual.

The Comptroller also reported that the Sum of $65. had been paid for Commutation of Alien Passengers for the quarter ending on the 1st instant which was directed to be filed.

The City Inspector presented ordinans for correction of Nuisances which were passed.

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No 1	J Greenwood	occupant	3	Ann St	A Privy
2	J M Matthew	do	16	Broad St	do
3	F Depeyster	do	24	do	do
4	Wm Va[n]Wyck	do	30	do	do
5	J Melzly	do	32	do	do
6	E Hutton	do	34	do	do
7	O Brown	do	36	do	do
8.	John Crawford	do	40	do	do
9	E Bardie	do	42	do	do
10	J Garvie	do	58	do	do
11	M Arnets	do	70	do	do
12	[115] A Brinkerhoff	do	78	do	do
13	Wm M Lowere	do	110	do	do
14	J Kemble	do	8	Beaver	do
15	S Corp.	do	9	do	do
16	J Roberts	do	12	do	do
17	R Clark	do	17	do	do
18	A Van Horn	do	21	do	do
19	M Walsh	do	66	Beekman	do
20	T Reins	do	13	Bridge	do
21	P Pearsall	do	15	do	do
22	G Wetsel	do	29	do	do
23	M Wilkes	do	18	Broad Way	"
24	T Bolton	do	20	do	do
25	Wm B Gilley	do	92	do	do
26	Mrs J Kelly	do	61	Cedar St	do
27	J C Bliss	do	20	Garden St	do

28	Ann Pilworth	occupant	22	Garden St	A Privy
29	J Lamot	do	24	do	do
30	M Elliott	do	26	do	do
31	W Welsh	do	45	Greenwich St	do
32	J Moses	do	52	do	do
33	P Freeman	do	54	do	do
34	T Knox	do	56	do	do
35	J Miner	do	152	Hester St	do
36	Dl Deich	do	154	do	do
37	P *Breashe* [Brushlé]	do	156	do	do
38	B Moore	do	2	John St	do
39	[116] J Ford	do	17	do	do
40	J McCurdy	do	3	Moore St	do
41	Wm Hilman	do	16	Marketfield.	do
42	C *Wadland* [Wadlow]	do	22	do	do
43	C Ryan	do	26	do	do
44	M Young	do	28	do	do
45	M Harrety	do	4	New St	do
46	T Gaston	do	12	do	do
47	R Hardy	do	14	do	do
48	R D Van Vechten	do	16	do	do
49	Chas Starr	do	18½	do	do
50	Chas McCarty	do	22	Do	do
51	D Hancock	do	24	do	do
52	J Ludlum	do	28	*do* [Pearl]	do
53	Wm Boyd	do	12	Stone	do
54	E Van Brunt	do	13	do	do
55	D Blakeman	do	15	do	do
56	A Mather	do	23	*do* [Whitehall]	do
57	H Palmer	do	4	Water	do
58	Wm Matthews	do	6	do	do
59	A Williams	do	12	do	do
60	S Derose	do	6	New St	do

(Signed) Geo Cummings, C. I.

The Committee on Public Offices to whom was referred so much of the communication of the Mayor [117] as relates to an alteration in the mode of collecting taxes & to the payment of fixed Salaries of the Several offices to be appointed by the Common Council or Court of Sessions presented a Report which was read and the Consideration Postponed & directed to be printed for the use of the members.

The Same Committee on the petition of the Proprietors of the N Y Stateman to be employed by the Board as a Public Paper presented a report the consideration of Which was postponed

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annual Statement of the account of Public Administrator reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annual Statement of the accounts of the Public Administrator

Report.

That they have examined his books and accounts from which it appears that the balance of monies received by him from Intestate estates and which had remained in his hands [118] unclaimed during the period directed by Law is $1363.82/100 Which has been paid by him to the City Treasurer. His accounts also represent balances in his hands for the years 1821 & 1822 as yet unclaimd and now ready for publication to the amount of $3050 40/100 Also a Statement of monies received and monies paid for 1822 the balances up to Jan. 1st 1823. amounting to $5225.82/100

Respectfully Submitted

(Signed) James Hall
Wm H Ireland
S Cowdrey
George Zabriskie
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was directed to be filed & the Statement of the Public administrator to be filed in the office of the Comptroller.

The Same Committee on the petition of Smith Bloomfield reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of [119] Smith Bloomfield for an allowance of Certain monies paid into the treasury as interest on Assessment for building a Sewer in Chapel St.

Report

That Mr Bloomfield has already received Interest to the amount of $440 together with the amount of principal due him for building said Sewer which in the opinion of Your Committee is all that Mr Bloomfield has a right to demand of the Corporation

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted

(Signed) James Hall.
S. Cowdrey
Wm H Ireland
George Zabriskie
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred that part of the Mayors communication in relation to Taxes & Dispensing with an [120] Annual Application to the Legislature to assess the Same on the Real & Personal Estate of the inhabitants and to raise a portion of the Taxes from other Sources presented a report which was read the consideration postponed & directed to be printed for the use of the members.

The Same Committee on the petition of Samuel Sawyer. reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel SawYer to be permitted to surrender his lease of Cellar N° 8 Fulton market the rent being paid up to February the 1st

Report.

That on account of the inability of the Petitioner to pay the rent of said Cellar Your Committee are of opinion that it would best subserve the Public interest to accept the Surrender of said Lease on the Conditions proposed [121] Viz^{t} That all the fixtures belonging to said Sawyer appertaining to said cellar be also surrendered to the Corporation

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted.

(Signed) James Hall
S Cowdrey
George Zabriskie
W^{m} H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred a petition for a Hook & Ladder Company at Stagtown reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred a petition of Sundry Inhabitants in the vicinity of Staggtown praying to grant them a Hook & Ladder Company

Report, that it is their opinion that the number of Hook & Ladder. [122] Companies already established is quite equal to *the* all the duties required of them and therefore the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted

Your Committee therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition for an Engine Company on Manhattan island reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Sundry owners of property and residents of Manhattan Island praying that an Engine may be placed in their vicinity

Report that there are Five or Six Engines located so near that place that it will require but a very few minutes to get that number to operate on any part of the [123] neighbourhood and therefore to grant the prayer of the petitioners would in the opinion of your Committee be attended with an expence that the exigency of the case does not require. they therefore offer the following Resolution for the Consideration of the Board.

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a Committee of the Fire Department praying that the 23^{d} Section of the Law for extinguishing fires may be so amended as to allow minors to be eligible as Firemen reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of a Committee of the Fire Department in behalf of that body praying that the 23^{d} Section of the Law entitled A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires may be so amended as to allow minors of the age of 18 Years & [124] upwards to be eligible as Firemen

Report.

That by reference to the 74th Section of an Act to reduce Several Laws relating particularly to the City of New York into one Act. passed the 9th of April 1813 it will appear that none but Freeholders and Freemen are eligible as Firemen consequently the Common Council have not the power to grant the prayer of the petitioners Your Comm^{ee} therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution to the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted.

Signed Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Police Committee to whom was referred so much of the Mayors communication as relates to an increase of the sum paid for licenses to Hackney Carriages [125] reported as follows

The Police Committee to whom was referred so much of the Mayors communication to the Common Council as relates to an increase of the Sum paid for licenses to Hackney Carriages,

Respectfully Report

That they have investigated this Subject and are satisfied that the Sum now required by the ordinance of this Board as the price for each license is too Small the amount collected from this Source not being sufficient it is believed to repair the injury done to the Streets by these Carriages

The Committee are of opinion that application ought to be made to the Legislature for power to raise the price of each license to a sum not exceeding Twenty five dollars and they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that application be made to the Legislature of this State that the maximum price for a license for each hackney coach or carriage shall hereafter be twenty five dollars instead Five dollars as now fixed by Law.

[126] Resolved that the Counsel of this board be charged with preparing the necessary measures for carrying the above resolution into effect

(Signed) Thomas Bolton
Samuel St John
George Downing
George S Doughty.

Which was approved and the resolut[n] adopted.

The Market Committee on the Petition of Ab. Logier for Stall N° 2 Spring St Market. & of John Fisher for Stall N° 11 Washington Market reported as follows.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Lozier Butcher for Stand N° 2 Spring St. Market at present held by Alex[r] Jeroleman who is about to retire from business and also the petition of John Fisher Butcher for Stand N° 11 Washington

Market now held by John Henning who is willing to give it up to him

Report that they have had [127] the subject before them and believe the above Statements to be true they recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted on condition that they pay the rent in advance to the 1st of May next. that being the term for which they are rented, they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that Abraham Lozier be licensed for Stand N° 2 Spring St market and John Fisher for Stand N° 11 Washington Market on their paying the rent due on the above Stands to the first day of May next and producing to his Honor the Mayor the Collectors receipt for the same

Signed Shivers Parker
Samuel St John
John Webb
David Marsh
Thomas Bolton.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Charity to whom was referred the *the* Petition on the behalf of the Directors of the N. York Eye Infirmary [128] presented a report in favour of granting the Sum of $250 to the Said institution which was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Pet. of Rebecca McHench for exemption from tax reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Rebecca McHinch praying to be relieved from her personal tax.

Report that from the certificate of the Assessors & other information they are satisfied that the petitioner is but little above want and in their opinion relief Ought to be granted offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Fifth ward refrain from collecting a personal tax from Rebecca McHench and that he return the same in the list of Errors & insolvencies of said Ward

(Signed) William Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
George S Doughty.

[129] Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of Moses Allen for relief from tax assessed on him reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition

of Moses Allen Stating that he has paid his Tax in the third ward and asks relief from the tax imposed on him in the 1st ward

Report. the Assessors of the Third ward have given a certificate which is hereunto annexed in which they admit that the petitioner did not reside in their Ward at the time the Assessment was made Your Committee are or opinion that relief ought to be granted Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the First Ward refrain from Collecting a Personal tax from Moses Allen and that he return the same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward.

Wm Thorn
Signed Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
George S Doughty

[130] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Wm C Barker praying a release from tax assessed on him reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Wm C Barker praying to be released from his personal tax.

Report. that the Petitioner sets forth that he was Insolvent and unable to pay his debts at the time the Assessment was made which is confirmed by the Assessors certificate which is hereunto annexed Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Fifth ward refrain from collecting the Personal tax from Wm C Barker and that he return the same in the list of Errors and Insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
George S Doughty.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[131] The Same Committee on the petition of Rachael Hazleton praying a reduction of the tax assessed on her reported as follows Viz[t]

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Rachael Hazleton praying to be released from a part of her personal tax

Report.

That from her own representation and the Certificate of the Assessors which is hereunto annexed your committee are of opinion that relief ought to be granted Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the third [Ward] receive from Rachael Hazleton a personal tax on two hundred dollars and return the residue in the list of errors and insolvencies of said Ward.

(Signed) William Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
George. S. Doughty.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Cornelius Bogert to be released from payment of interest on an Assessment, reported as [132] follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Cornelius Bogert. praying to be relieved from interest on his Tax which remained unpaid.

Report.

That they have examined into the merits of the above case and can see no Good reason to Grant the prayer of the Petitioner respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner

Signed Wm Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
George S Doughty.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The following Resolution was adopted

Resolved that the Street Committee be instructed to enquire as to the Expediency of regulating and paving that part of Washington Street lying between Carlisle St and the Battery

The Report of the Street Committee [133] on the Subject of Widening Frankfort Street presented on the 23d of August 1819 & laid for consideration was now called up & postponed indefinitely

The Report of the Street Committee presented on the 4th of March 1822. & laid for consideration on the petition of Morgan Lewis & others relative to Avenues A. B. C & D. was now called up & referred to the Street Committee

The Law respecting Cartways and the Law to amend the Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen were called up and made the order of the day at the next meeting of the Board.

Ald King moved that the Subject of the Opinion of the Supreme Court in relation to the Assessment for Canal St Sewer be referred

to a Special Committee the question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative

It was then on Motion of Ald Taylor

Resolved that the Counsel of the board be authorised to employ an additional [134] [person] with him in the appeal of the above cause to the Court of Errors Should he judge the same advisable

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 20th inst	$641.88
Received for tax 1, 2, 3. 4. 7. 10 Wards	19450.
" Rents	5546.71
" Streets	5001.29
" Tavern Licenses	465.50
" Justices Courts	446.03
" Wells & Pumps	400.96
" Arrears of tax	300.
" Docks & Slips	148.24
" Fines &c of Sheriff	67.
" Commutation Alien Passengers	65.

66 Accounts audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st Distt	813.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d "	624.75
A Burtis Supt Alms House officers 1 Qr Salv	537.50
W Hooghland Keeper Penitentiary & Assistt	537.50
R Graves St. Comr 1 Qr 15 Janv	375.
J Morton Clk of Com Council 1 Qr 1 inst	300.
S. Hutchings St Inspr 1 month	54.25
J Pinckney do do	54.25
A Ackerman do do	54.25
[135] Wm J Waldron Assist. City Inspr 1 mo	47.25
Obadiah Ayres do do	47.25
Astin & Cochran Messengers	54.
Danl H Magee keeper of Pottersfield	38.75
George Mills Assist. Bd of Health	47.25
Benjamin Hicks do do	47.25
Manhattan Compv Water for Jail & Fulton market. 1 year	65.00
John Curtis Coach hire	45.00
Wm J Waldron removing Nuisances	26.05
Editor National Advocate Subscriptn 6 mo	50.00
Prior and Dunning 23 maps of City	46.00
R Smith Clerk of Washington Market	60.00
J Bremner do Catharine do	58.00
E Frost Do Fulton do	41.66
P Ammerman do 6 markets	47.50
G DurYea Do Franklin	38.75
J Asten Sweeper Fulton "	54.09

J Hammond Justice 1, 2, 3 wards 1 Qr 1st inst.....	400.
E Morrill do 4 & 6 " " "	400.
M Cunningham do 5 & 8 " " "	400.
H Scovell Do 7 & 10 " " "	400.
J L Pell Clk 1. 2. 3 " " "	187.50
G Betts do 4 & 6 " " "	187.50
E Burling do 5 & 8th " " "	187.50
W H Smith do 7 & 10 " " "	187.50
Wm G Bull Room hire Court 1 2 & 3 wards.....	31.25
N Bartlett do 4 & 6th	21.
S Downing agent for S Titus 7 & 10	31.25
[136] P. M. Wendover Sheriff for officers attending Courts & Depy Sheriffs conveying prisoners to Penitentiary 1 Qr 1st Inst.....	1095.25
S Montgomery & others Serving Subpoenas.....	170.87
M Decamp pavg Mercer St. fr Prince to Bleecr.....	11.
G Snethen Supers lights lamps 1 mo 1st inst.....	835.53
R Provoost repairing Do "	85.12
D Biggs work at do 1 Qr.....	29.37
J Culbert act paving Canal St fr BdWay to collect st.....	400.
H Smith act do & regulat Greenwich St from Prince to Bleecker	400.
S Lovett do do Harman fr Montgomy to Grand.....	200.
J Rile do do Grand fr Forsyth to Ludlow.....	200.
J Mehan do do Mercer from Prince to Bleecker.....	150.
H Smith do do Prince fr BdWay to McDougall.....	250.
C Mooney do do Mercer fr Harman to Prince.....	150.
E Doughty Surveys fr 1 may 1822 to 1 Jan 1823.....	636.28
H Weeks insps pavement Sundry Sts.....	113.40
J Baily filling 3 lots C. Pitt & Stanton St. Lien.....	134.25
Thomas Cummings bal. regs Old Slip fr Water St to Bulkhead.....	97.16
J Baily bal. regulating Christie from Broome to Delancy St.....	80.89
Samuel Forgey repairing intersections.....	38.10
J Mehan repairs intersects Mulbery & Broome St.....	1.64
R Ayres 3d payment filling Bulkhead at Chamber St. and Duane St..	400.00
R Ayres Earth for middle pier at Peck Slip.....	7.87
J Gallagher 1st Payment Well Greene n Grand St.....	24.75
R Pettigrew bal. Well Desbrosses n Hudson St.....	20.58
[137] Samuel Forgey pavs at Sundry markets.....	105.64
N Philips advertising for arrears of tax.....	9.
John Evelith bal on contract Superints Dredging Machine.....	890.11
R Fleming treasurer to pay divds City Stock.....	18500.
	$32.285.00
Balance.....	$247.61

Board adjourned

[138 blank and unnumbered.]

[139] In Common Council Feb. 17th 1823

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
_____	Samuel St John
_____	Wm H Ireland
James Hall.	Samuel Cowdrey
George Zabriskie	George Webb
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Jacobus Dyckman	George S Doughty
_____	George Downing.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A Petition from Peter Allison for relief from a personal tax assessed on him with a Certificate from the Assessors of the 3d Ward in his favor were read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Similar Petition from Sarah Cornell was referred to the Same Committee.

[140] A Memorial from the trustees of the First Presbyterian church remonstrating against the passing of the law now before the Common Council respecting the interment of the dead

A Similar remonstrance from the vestry of Grace Church

A Similar remonstrance from the vestry of St Georges Church

A Similar Remonstrance from the vestry of Christs Church

And A Similar remonstrance from the Vestry of Zion Church were severally read and laid on the table.

They were afterwards referred to the Comee upon the communication of the Mayor respecting the health of the City.

A memorial from sundry coachmakers in the City remonstrating against the practice of Workmen in different States who do not contribute to the taxes or public burdens of the City [141] of offering for sale in the Streets Carriages which are generally of inferior materials & workmanship and praying relief in the premises was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Daniel E Tylee for relief from tax assessed on his personal property was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Rufus L Bergan for relief from a personal tax assessed on him was referred to the Same Committee.

A Pet. of Caleb Coggeshall to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition of James Dobbin for permission that his house N° 33 Lombardy St. may at present remain where it now stands was referred to the Street Committee

A petition of Henry S Hassey lessee of Cellar N° 11 Fulton market for a reduction of rent was referred to the Finance Committee

[142] A Petition of James Gardner & John Hyer Executors of John Gardner dec^{d} was received Stating that they are entitled to a lot of Ground & wharf on the Easterly side of Grand St. that by the grant to the Ferry at Grand St. to D Dunham their right to Wharfage is rendered of no avail that as it has been devoted by the Common Council to public purposes they request that they may be paid the usual proportion of rent. they also request a renewal to them of the certificate of the right to receive Wharfage on the North side of the wharf their former Certificate having been lost which was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Memorial of Rosewell Saltonstall was received stating he has discovered a vertical Wheel which will be of great use in machinery & requesting the patronage of the Corporation which was referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences

A Petition of Stephen Hilleker for Stall [143] N° 5 Essex Market; was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of James Mills for appointment as measurer of Grain was referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Communication from James ODonnel in relation to the general health of the City & proposing improvements in the manner of constructing & forming vaults Sewers Cellars Street & Docks which was referred to the Board of Health.

A petition of John Lippencott to be appointed to the office of Superintendant of the Battery was referred to the Committee on the Battery

A Petition of Caleb Felsh praying that the Sum due him on the Contract for regulating Pitt St. be paid to him was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition for a Well and Pump corner of Carmine & Herring Street was read & referred to the Ald & Assist. of the 8th ward and Street Commissioner.

[144] A Petition for a Well and Pump in Sullivan Street was read & referred to the Ald & Assist. of the 8th ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition of W^{m} Edgar for a water grant commencing from the line of his present Grant to the middle of Tompkins St. was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Alfred Williamson & others praying that a law may be passed prohibiting persons from having more than one Hackney Coach on the Stand at the Same time was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Townsend Cock for reappointment to the office of Inspector of Weights & Measures which he now holds was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of Fire Engine Co. N° 10 praying they may be furnished with a new Fire Engine was referred to the Commᵉᵉ [145] on the Fire Department.

A Petition of David J Fowler for relief from a personal tax with a certificate from the Assessors of the 8ᵗʰ ward was referred to the Commᵉᵉ on Assessments

A Petition of the Orphan Asylum praying they may be allowed a compensation for the maintenance of the orphan Children taken from the Alms House & brought up in the Asylum was read & referred to the Committee on the Alms House

A Petition of John Glashong for stall N° 10 Spring Street Market was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Wᵐ Berdan for Stall N° 7 Centre Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Jacob Sieler for Stall N° 4 Spring St. Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[146] A petition of Catharine B Borgers for relief from Personal tax assessed on *him* [her] was referred to the Commᵉᵉ on Assessments

A Petition of Henry Carpenter for appointment to *of* some office under the Board was referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition of John Hubbard for appointment of St. Inspector was refᵈ to the Committee on Applicaˢ

A Pet. of George Strite lessee of Corpⁿ for a renewal of his lease and at a lower rent was referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of Michael McGrath for relief from Personal tax to be reduced from $25 000 to $10 000 was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Wᵐ A Hardenbrook for an allowance for a fence with which he has [147] *he has* enclosed a lot of Corporation land and that the same be deducted from the rent due for the Same was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Abraham Vermilyea for appointment as Inspector of Fire Wood was refᵈ to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Sundry owners of Hackney Carriages remonstrating against sundry persons from L Island and N Jersey occupying Stands without taking out Licenses & praying relief *which* was read and ref^{d} to the Police Committee

A Remonstrance from the Chamber of Commerce of this City against the measure proposed by the Finance Com^{ee} for taxing the property of Non Residents was read & laid on the table.

The Street Comm^{r} presented an Assessmen^{t} for Regulating & paving Carmine St from Varick St. to the 6th Avenue which was confirmed & Morris De Camp app^{d} Collector

[148] The St. Comm^{r} presented an Assessm^{t} for a Well and Pump in Grand Street between Wooster & Lawrens St which was confirmed & Noah Jarvis appointed Collector.

He also presented an Assessment for Building a Bulkhead at Fly market Slip which was confirmed & Noah Jarvis was app^{d} Collector

He also presented an Ord. for a Well and Pump in Lumber St near Thames St which was confirmed passed and Abraham Dally John Browere & Francis Peckwell were app^{d} Assessors.

The City Inspector presented Ordinances for correction of Sundry Nuisances. which were passed

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz^{t}

N^{o} 1	L^{s} Cecil	Occupant	64	Ann St	A Privy
2	James Daphny	do	44	Barclay	do
3	Sarah Byard	do	62½	do	do
4	Nath^{l} Jackson	do	21	Fulton St.	do
5.	[149] Thom^{s} Sheperd	do	83	do	do
6	Ab. Cox	do	87	do	do
7	Ab Tanner	do	177	do	do
8	Mrs Wandell	do	183	do	do
9	E Wenman	do	185	do	do
10	N Bunce	do	209	do	do
11	A McKeller	do	64	Gold St	do
12	T Ryckman	do	72	*Greenwich* [Vesey]	do
13	W^{m} Ryan	do	74	do	do
14	*Forshue* [Foshay] & Lockwood	do	76	do	do
15	W^{m} Phillips	do	78	do	do
16.	J C Herd	do	82	do	do
17	J Montgomery	do	195	Greenwich	do
18	A Hall	do	196	do	do
19	M McDonald	do	198	do	do
20	A Chapel	do	211	do	do
21	O Murphy	do	51	Pearl	do
22	W M Hawley	do	302	do	do

23	C S Van Winkle	Occupant	24	Vesey	A Privy
24	M Mitchell	do	37	do	do
25	J [G] Chilton	do	39	do	do
26	Wm G Henderson	do	41	do	do
27	Ab. Bussing	do	43	do	do
28	Samuel Morris	do	53	do	do
29	T E Van Antwerp	do	59	do	do
30	Wm Anderson	do	62½	do	do
31	H Tallman	do	64	do	do
32	[150] N Brown	do	73	do	do
33	Drake & Coddington	do	104	do	do
34	Wm Gains	do	106	do	do
35	C Wilkes Cashier	do	32	Wall S	do
36	Stephen Ray	occupant	171	Washingtn	do
37	J J [L] Johnson	do	175	do	do
38	Wm Niblo	do	52	William	do
39	Rosa Wiser	do	146	do	do
49	J E Betts	do	150	do	do
41	Wm Tracy	do	152	do	do

Signed George Cumming
C. I.

The Attorney on behalf of the Counsel absent from the City presented agreably to order the draft of a memorial & Bill to the Legislature on the subject of the Marine Court & Justices Courts of this City the consideration of which was postponed and on a motion made that the same be printed for the use of the members of the Board being equally divided the Mayor gave his vote in the Affirmative So the same was directed to be printed

He also in behalf of the Counsel presented a memorial to the legislature [151] & corresponding bill respecting Hackney coaches and Carriages in the City of New York. which was approved and directed to be Authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature

The following persons were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer Certifying the Vacancies

Hose Company No 1.

William C. Ross Coach maker 133 Anthony St. vice Wm Angevine resigned

Peter P Bertine mason 111 Duane vice H Robinson Resigned

George Wardell Cartman 111 Orange
Abner White Carpenter 119 Elm
John Brookhout do 81 Orange
Thomas Sweeny Engineer 80 Do
John E Cammeyer do 25 Crosby

} New Members

Engine N° 4.

John Dusenberry Chair Maker Rynder St vice James Gallaudet resigned

Caspar O Dusenbury Cartman 401 Broome vice James B Ackerman Resigned

Frederick McCready Carpenter Orange vice Jesse Lewis resigned

N° 5.

Thomas Genders fruiterer 84 John vice Foster Nostrand Resigned

[152] Robert Bage Hatter Pearl St vice David M Pratt resigned

Bernard Colman Accountant Fulton St vice Isaac U Townsend resigned

N° 7.

John Henniger Sail maker. Cross St. vice John Garner Resigned

Samuel Vandyne Brush Maker Hague St vice Taylor St. John resigned

Jacob D Clinch Brush maker Rose St vice a vacancy

N° 12

Stephen Lobdell Last maker Pearl St. vice Joseph Smith resigned

Joseph Forbes umbrella maker Rose St. vice Samuel Vandyne resigned

N° 14.

Rowland Gardner Hatter 24 Chatham vice Isaac M Gilbert resig'd

N° 16

Andrew L. Cock Clerk 226 Fulton St. vice Jacob Smith Jr Resigned

N° 19.

David Beck Grocer 178 Grand St. vice Leonard G Hoffman appd F. W.

[153] N° 21.

John C. Walsh Clerk Pine St. vice Edward Schemerhorn resigned

N° 23

John Riker Coach Maker 395 Bd Way vice John Carrick Left ye City

N° 24.

Samuel. Y. Coles. Acct. Broad Way vice Israel Suydam resigned

N° 27.

John Harper Ship Carpenter c Hudson & Canal vice Absalom F Randolph expelled

James Van Beuren Turner c Lispenard & Chapel vice Stephen Lozier resigned

John Berdan Carpenter Sullivan c Broome vice Ab. Van Buskirk resigned

N° 42.

Daniel C Pence Cooper N° 7 Batavia St. vice Edward W Degrove resigned

Joseph Keen Cartman 65 Spring vice Stephen C De Grove resigned

Benjamin H Chapman Blockmaker Roosevelt vice Samuel Parker resigned

Anthony Klapfer, Tailor, water St vice Thomas Brush resigned

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature [154] on the memorial of the trustees of the Free School and also the memorial of the trustees of the Baptist Bethel Church in opposition thereto reported. as follows.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the memorial of the Free School and also the memorial of the trustees of Bethel Baptist Church in opposition thereto

Report

That they have examined the Subject contained in the said memorials and are of opinion that it would be proper for the Common Council to address a memorial to the Legislature requesting a repeal of the third Section of the act entitled an Act for the relief of the trustees of the Bethel Baptist Church in the City of New York and they recommend the following resolution

Resolved that such memorial be drafted by the Counsel and transmitted by the Mayor with the Corporation seal affixed during the [155] recess of this Board

respectfully Submitted

(Signed) Asa Marin
S Cowdrey
James Hall

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Comm^ee on the Communication of the Mayor in relation to the School Establishment at the Alms House reported as follows.

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was

referred that part of the Mayors Communication as *it* relates to the School establishment by the Corporation at the Alms House at which upwards of 200 children are educated on the Lancasterian plan ought not to be considered as it is in fact a Free School and therefore entitled to a proportion of money appropriated for the establishment and maintenance of Common Schools in this City Beg leave to

Report.

that they have had the subject under consideration and are of an opinion that application ought to be made to [156] the Legislature for an amendment to the Law that will meet the object intended by the Communication

Therefore Resolved that the Counsellor prepare a memorial to the Legislature praying the Law to be so amended as to meet the object intended in the foregoing report.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Asa Mann
S Cowdrey
Thom^{s} Bolton
James Hall.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted & the Counsel was directed to prepare a memorial to the Legislature agreably thereto

The Finance Committee on the Humane Society reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Humane Society for pecuniary assistance

Report.

That the Humane Society is in the opinion of Your Committee a very useful institution inasmuch as [157] it has for a number of Years afforded relief to the Sufferers in the Debtors prison and to a number of poor families who might otherwise have been a public charge

They therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be instructed to issue a warrant for the Sum of Two hundred Dollars as a donation to the Humane Society.

(Signed) James Hall
Henry J Wyckoff
W^{m} H. Ireland
George Zabriskie

Which was approved and the Comptroller was directed to report a Warrant for $200 agreably thereto.

The Committee on Public offices to whom was referred the account of Peter H Wendover Sheriff, reported as follows.

The Committee on Public offices to whom was referred the Sheriffs account for the attendance of the Peace officers at the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the terms of Novem[r] [158] & December 1822 & January 1823

Respectfully Report.

That having in a recent report Stated their opinion as to the number of officers of the peace necessary in general to attend the court of Sessions they deem it unecessary now to repeat any thing on that subject The Charges are

	Dlls. Cts
For the attendance of 18 officers at the Sessions and Seven at Common Pleas during the above terms	1072.50
Conveying prisoners to the Penitentiary	22.00
Carriage hire by order of the Sessions	.75
	$1095.25

To all which regular vouchers have been exhibited this Sum is large and is about the usual amount for charges of this description which are repeated quarterly in each year. If this expenditure can be curtailed in future the Common Council will have an opportunity of accomplishing it when considering the former report of the Committee on that Subject

(Signed) E W King
Sam[l] Cowdrey
W[m] Thorn
Jacob B Taylor
George Downing.

[159] which was approved the resolution adopted and on motion of Mr Cowdrey a warrant was directed to issue for the Payment of the Same.

The Alderman & Assistant of the First ward & Street Comm[r] to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in Lumber St. reported as follows.

The Alderman & Assistant of the First ward and Street Comm[r] to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants residing in Thames and Lumber Streets praying for a Well and Pump to be placed in the latter Street.

Report.

That they have performed the duty assigned to them and recom-

mend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted as on inspection of that neighbourhood they find the inhabitants quite destitute of the convenience of Wells, there not being one in thames Street and but two in Lumber Street they therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that a Well and Pump be placed in Lumber Street at such place [160] as shall be directed by the Street Commr

Signed Henry J Wyc[k]off
Thomas Bolton
R Graves

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the Street Commr reported an Ordinance therefore which was passed

The Committee on the Fire Department on the Petition of Fire Engine No 31 reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire Departmt to whom was referred the petition of James Murray foreman of & Richard B *Winaur* [Winat] Secretary of Fire Engine No 31 praying that a new engine may be furnished their Company.

Report

That this Machine was built in the Year 1810 and that it [is] now in so ruinous a condition as to require a new Body Carriage [and] new Hose (which will cost $175. The present one having been in use since the Engine was built is now considered not worth repairing and as it [is] smaller than that now generally made use of it will require [161] new Screws &c Your Committee are therefore decidedly of opinion it had better be sold whenever a suitable offer can be obtained and a new one put in its place they therefore Submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs be instructed to dispose of Engine No 31. at the price of three hundred dollars.

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall
Robert McQueen

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Fire Engine Company No 29. reported as follows.

The Committee on the Fire Departmt to whom was referred the Petition of Jeremiah Pangburn Foreman of Engine No 29. stationed at Greenwich praying that a new Engine may be furnished to his company stating that the one now in use has a 5½ inch Chamber

whereas the new one furnished to N° 34 situated at the same place has a chamber of 6½ inch and as those two are the only machines [162] in that vicinity they must necessarily cooperate. and in so doing great inconvenience will arise owing to the disparity in force of the two Machines. that it will be impossible for the small engine to furnish more than ⅔ of supply for the larger one and that while his men by their exertion will be worn out by fatigue those attached to N° 32 will be idle ⅓ of their time

Your Committee therefore beg leave to Report that in their opinion the reasons set forth in the petition are such as to induce them to Recommend that the prayer of the Petitioner be granted whenever a sale of the Engine can be effected particularly as this Engine has been built nearly 16 Years and is now considerably out of repair

Your Committee therefore offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution

Resolved that the Superintendant of repairs is hereby directed to dispose of Engine N° 29 at a price not less than three Hundred Dollars

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
Robert McQueen
Jam[s] Hall

[163] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments on the Petition of James Matthews for relief from Tax reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of James Matthews praying to have an error in his Assessment corrected

Report.

That it appears from a certificate of the Assessors of the ward that there is an error in the Assessment above stated which your Committee are of opinion ought to be corrected Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the 5[th] Ward receive a personal tax from James Matthews on three hundred dollars and return the residue in the list of errors and insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) W[m] Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George S Doughty
George Zabriskie

The Same was approved and the resolution adopted

[164] The Same Committee on the petition of Abraham Van Nest for relief from personal tax reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham Van Nest. Praying to be relieved from the personal tax imposed on him in the Ninth ward

Report.

that they have examined into the Petitioners Case and are satisfied that relief ought not to be granted inasmuch as the tax paid in the first ward is more than the tax imposed in the Ninth ward and it appears very evident that his domicile is in the first ward they respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Ninth ward refrain from collecting the personal tax imposed on Ab[m] Van Nest. in said ward and return the Same in the list of Errors and insolvencies of said Ward

(Signed) W[m] Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George S Doughty
George Zabriskie.

[165] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Pet. of John Knevenger to be released from an Assessm[t] reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of John Knevinger to be relieved from an assessment. for paving Mercer Street

Report.

That upon investigating the above case [they] are satisfied that the petitioner has no cause of complaint [and] Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to Grant the prayer of the petitioner

(Signed) W[m] Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George S Doughty
George Zabriskie.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of Matthew Carter for a reduction of tax assessed on him reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Matthew Carter praying to have his personal tax reduced

[166] Report. that the Assessors of the Second ward have given a certificate which is hereunto annexed in which they state that they

are of opinion his request is reasonable your Commee agree with the Assessors that relief ought to be granted Respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Second Ward receive from Matthew Carter a personal tax on $1500 and return the residue in the list of errors and insolvencies of said Ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George S Doughty.
George Zabriskie

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred a Certificate of the Assessors of the 9th Ward in relation to mistakes in the Assessment of Augustus Sacket & also of the estate of John Rogers Reported as follows,

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred a Certificate from the [167] Assessors of the Ninth Ward in which they State that in Copying their Book they made two errors one in the Case of Augustus Sackett in which they have assessed him 12000 dollars when it should have been $1200 the second on the Estate of John Rogers which they have assessed $1200 when it should have been $12000

Report. That they have maturely considered the above statement of the Assessors in which Justice dictates that as they are errors to which man is so liable they ought to be corrected but Your Committee with regret have to State that in their opinion the Law only authorises the Correction of the first respectfully offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the Collector of the Ninth ward receive from Augustus Sackett a tax on $1200 instead of $12000 and return the residue in the list of errors & insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
George S Doughty

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[168] The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the Petition of Isaac Ryckman for appointment of Inspector of Firewood reported as follows

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed petition of Isaac Ryckman stating that he was appointed

an inspector of Firewood in May 1816. and praying that his appointment may be renewed

Report

That it appears Mr Ryckman has been acting as inspector ever since his appointment although he never came forward to qualify and receive his license, this your committee are induced to believe was owing not so much to neglect as to ignorance he having received from the Clerk a printed notice of his appointment supposed that notice was all that was necessary to authorise him to enter upon the duties of his office Such however not being the Case it is necessary that the Board should either reappoint him or some other person in his stead, Your Commᵉᵉ therefore after suggesting to the Clerk [169] the propriety of having his notices a little more full and explicit would respectfully recommend the adoption of the followᵍ resolution

Resolved that Isaac Ryckman be and he is hereby appointed an inspector of Firewood

(Signed) Wᵐ H Ireland
James Hall
Asa Mann
Shivers Parker.

Which was approved and he was appointed accordingly.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips [to whom] was referred the annexed petition of the Cartman and others complaining of a late ordinance of this Board regulating the sale and carting of Firewood and praying that the same may be repealed

Report

That they have given that consideration to the Subject which its importance demanded That after having viewed the objections and weighed the reasons set forth in the memorial. Your Committee are finally of opinion that they are not such as ought to induce the board to repeal an ordinance [170] before the effects of it have been fully tried On the contrary they are inclined to believe that this law will prove a salutary one—inasmuch as it will enable the inspector to measure the load with precision and thereby give every purchaser the same quantity whether the wood be long or short. It will also put an end to the disputes that so often arise between the Cartman and inspector and it is believed that it will induce the countryman to cut his wood of a proper length as it will evidently be his interest so to do Under these impressions your committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Reso[l]ved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) Wm H Ireland
James Hall
Asa Mann
Shivers Parker

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

Alderman Taylor moved that the said [171] Law do not go into effect until the 1st of April next. and he presented an ordinance to that effect. which was passed the same was afterwards on motion reconsidered and on the question of the passing of the same it then passed in the negative.

The Report of the Committee on Applications on the petition of Joseph C Cooper for appointment as City Guager made on 9th December last. & laid for consideration was now called up & being read was as follows.

The Committee on applications to whom was referred the petition of Joseph C Cooper to be appointed a Gauger of Liquor in this City think that the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted therefore Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that Joseph C Cooper be and he is hereby appointed a City Gauger

Signed David Marsh
Nathaniel Reynolds

The question being taken on agreeing to the Same it was carried in the Affirmative and he was appointed accordingly

[172] The Law to amend a Law respecting Carts & Cartmen which was made the order of the day for this meeting was called up and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

The Law respecting repairing Cartways also made the order of the day was called up and referred to the Street Committee

The Law respecting the interment of the dead reported on the 28th of Decr last by the Special Committee & laid for consideration was now called and referred together with the Several memorials & remonstrances on that subject to the Same Committee Vizt. On the Mayors Communication respecting the health of the City.

The Report of the Committee on Public Offices on the Mayors Communication in relation to an alteration in the mode of Collecting taxes & of the payment of Salaries to the several officers of the Common Council [173] which was presented at the last meeting & laid for

consideration was now called up and being read was in the words following.

The Committee on Public offices to whom was referred so much of the Annual Communication of his honour the Mayor as relates to an alteration in the mode of Collecting taxes in this City and so much thereof as relates to the payment of fixed Salaries of the several officers to be appointed by the Common Council or Court of Sessions:

Report.

That they have had those subjects before them and have Given that consideration to them which their importance appeared to require. In doing this, they have not confined themselves to the mere letter of that part of the Communication which has been committeed to their Charge but have been led into an examination of most of those offices now held under or hereafter to be filled by appointment of the Common Council or Court of Sessions. On the first branch of the subject which relates to the mode [174] of Collecting taxes in this City; had the plan suggested by his honour the Mayor been an untried experiment Your Committee would have hesitated long before they had recommended its adoption. But it is a well known fact that the general government have without difficulty collected their direct and other taxes in the City by the agency of a Single Collector. The Collectors of Assessments appointed by the Common Council, have also for a length of time successfully pursued a similar course. With this experience before them and believing as they do that the mode proposed will produce an annual saving to the treasury of from seven to Nine thousand dollars and that it will have a tendency to expedite the collection of the taxes and thus avoid the necessity of resorting to loans. Your Committee cannot but recommend that a full and fair trial be made of a System calculated to produce effects so very desirable in the present embarassed state of the City Finances

[175] With regard to public offices your Comm^ee assume it as a principle founded in justice and sound policy that the compensation should be commensurate with the degree of talent and labour required to fill them and that it is desirable on many accounts that such compensation should invariably be fixed by Stated Salaries rather than to depend on fees of offices, with this view of the subject your committee have assiduously endeavored to ascertain what would be a proper and adequate salary to be given to each. The district Attorney is one who ought to be selected with Special reference not only to moral Character but sound legal attainments, to this office a very liberal allowance ought to be given. This however is not the case with respect to the Clerk of Oyer & Terminer and Sessions and how-

ever respectable the incumbent may be, his duty consists in little more than a repetition of forms which can easily be acquired by practice and no opportunity is offered for the exercise of more than ordinary capacity Your Committee therefore have been constrained to recommend a very considerable diminution of his present Salary

[176] The duties of the Special Police Justices are too well known to need much observation a considerable degree of legal knowledge in that department is certainly necessary but great and indefatigable attention to its duties is indispensible.

Your Committee after a full examination have been brought to the Conclusion that those duties can consistently with the public Safety be discharged by two justices aided by two Clerks and such an alteration is respectfully recommended.

The office of City Inspector was formerly united with that of Clerk and his duties were then as now principally performed by sub agents from a strict enquiry into this subject Your Committee are of opinion that the duties incumbent on that office are not of sufficient importance to justify a separate establishment; and they accordingly recommend that the office of City Inspector be united with that of Assistant Street Commr with which it seems in many respects to be naturally connected. It is but just however to remark that the salary of the Assistant Street Commissioner is [177] now so low that this increase of duty will in the opinion of your Committee justify an small increase of his Salary.

The Crier of the Criminal Courts though an office of minor consideration, yet to complete the System now recommended your Committee think ought to receive a Salary in lieu of fees.

The average annual expenditure of the treasury in the administration of Criminal Justice in this City for several years past. appears to have exceeded $18 000 a sum sufficient in magnitude to induce the Common Council as well as the Court. to ascertan whether a retrenchment may not be made consistent with the public good; the single charge for the attendance of Peace officers in Court for the last year amounted to $4708.$^{25}/_{100}$ which added to the further charge for serving Subpoenas and conveying convicts to prison amounts to seven thousand and three dollars and seventy five Cents for one year In order to commence a more rigid System of economy Your Committee deem it advisable to recommend to the Magistrates who preside in Court to require the attendance of as few of the Peace officers as may be consistent with safety

[178] To bring these several matters more distinctly before the Board your Committee beg leave to offer the following resolutions.

Collection of taxes.

Resolved that it is expedient to alter the mode of collecting the taxes in this City in the manner following.

1st That one General Collector be appointed by the Common Council to collect all taxes imposed on the real and personal property in this city under the authority of this State and that he be cloathed with all the power and authority which the present collectors of taxes now have by law.

IInd That the Collector Shall receive a Stated Salary to be limited by the Common Council and he to be appointed by them and removable at their pleasure

III That the Collector when appointed shall before he enters on the duties of his office enter into a bond in the penal sum of $50000. with two competent Sureties to be approved of by the Mayor and Majority of the Committee of Finance for the time being, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties [179] required of trust reposed in him.

IV. That the Collector shall hold his office at such place in this City; remain there during Such hours; and pay over the moneys to be by him collected in virtue of his office to the City Chamberlain at such times as the Common Council shall from time to time direct and ordain

V. That the Common Council be authorised to limit a period within which the taxes shall be paid and to allow a rebate of not exceeding one per cent to such persons as shall pay their taxes within the time so to be limited and to exact and receive from all such persons as Shall refuse or neglect to pay within the said time a per centage not exceeding twenty on the amt. assessed upon them respectively

VI. That the Common Council be invested with full powers from time to time to pass such prudential bye laws. and laws & regulations respecting the collection of taxes within the said City as to them may seem most beneficial.

District Attorney.

Resolved that it is expedient to allow the district attorney a stated salary in [180] lieu of all fees whatsoever and to prescribe a mode of collecting and accounting for those fees in manner following

1st That the District Attorney for the City and County of New

York shall receive an annual salary not less than $2500 nor more than three thousand five hundred dollars to be determined by the Common Council and payable quarter Yearly out of the City Treasury in lieu of all fees of every kind and description appertaine to that office.

2nd That the District Attorney shall bear and pay the expense of serving all Subpoenas which may be necessary on the part of the prosecution. in all criminal Cases to be conducted by him

III. That it shall be the duty of the District attorney to use his best endeavour to collect or cause to be collected not only all the fees incident to his office but also such fees of the Clerk and Crier of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and Sessions held in the City of [181] New York as cannot be collected without his official aid to keep and render a true account thereof on oath and pay the Same to the city Chamberlain once in every three months.

Clerk of Oyer & terminer and General Sessions.

Resolved that it is expedient to allow to the Clerk of the Courts of Oyer & Terminer and Sessions held in the City of New York a Stated Salary in lieu of all fees and to prescribe his duties in relation to those fees in the following manner.

1 That the Clerk shall receive a stated salary not less than One thousand two hundred and fifty Dollars nor exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars per annum to be determined by the Common Council in lieu of all fees and perquisites incident to his office to be paid quarter Yearly out of the City Treasury.

II. That it shall be the duty of said Clerk to use his best endeavors to collect or cause to be collected as well the fees of his own office as those of the Crier which can be obtained without the aid of the district Attorney and Shall keep and render a just and true [182] account thereof on oath and pay the same to the City Chamberlain once in every three months.

Police Justices

Resolved that it is expedient to reduce the number of the Special Justices of Police and to allow them Stated Salaries in lieu of fees in the manner following.

1 There shall be but two Special Police Justices appointed for the City and County of New York

2nd That Each of the Said Justices Shall receive an annual Salary of Not less than one thousand five hundred dollars nor more

than two thousand dollars in lieu of all fees and perquisites appertaining to their office payable quarter yearly out of the City treasury

Chief Clerk of Police

Resolved that it is expedient to allow to the Chief clerk of the Police an annual Salary in lieu of fees and to prescribe his duties in relation to the collection & accounting, as well for those fees as the fees of the Justices of the police in manner following.

1st [183] That the Principal Clerk of the Police shall receive a stated annual salary of one thousand dollars payable quarter yearly out of the City Treasury in lieu of all fees and perquisites incident to his office

2nd That it Shall be his duty to collect & receive not only the fees of his own office but also the fees of the Police Justices and to keep and render a just and true account thereof on oath and pay the same to the City Chamberlain once in every three months

3d That the Clerk before he enters on the duties of his office under this regulation shall give security for the faithful performance of his duty in the sum of $3000. which sureties shall be first approved of by the Mayor and a majority of the Commee on Finance. for the time being.

City Inspector.

Resolved. That the offices of City Inspr & Assistant Street Commr be united—That the latter shall perform all the duties of City Inspector required by the Ordinance of this Board and as a compensation therefor he shall receive an annual allowance of three hundred dollars in addition to his present Salary and to be paid in like manner

[184] Crier.

Resolved that it is expedient to allow the Crier of the Courts of Oyer & Terminer and Sessions a stated Salary of two hundred dollars in lieu of all fees.

Resolved that it be recommended to the Magistrates of this Board when holding the Court of General Sessions of the Peace not to require the attendance of more than ten Constables or Marshalls at any one time except on extraordinary occasions or for the purpose of conveying convicts to prison or on the last day of the Sessions of the said Court.

Resolved that the Counsel or in his absence the attorney of this Board be instructed to prepare a respectful memorial to the Legislature and the draft of an Act for the purpose of carrying into effect

the principles and object of so much of the preceeding Resolutions as require Legislative Aid

All which respectfully Submitted

(Signed) Geo. Downing
Wm Thorn
E W King
S. Cowdrey
Jacob B. Taylor

[185] Upon the resolution that it is expedient to alter the mode of Collecting taxes the question being taken & a Division having been called by Ald Mann it was carried in the affirmative as follows

Affirmative Ald Wyckoff Hall Zabriskie Taylor Messrs Bolton St John Ireland Cowdrey Webb Thorn Doughty Downing 12

Negative Mr Recorder Ald McQueen Mann Dyckman Mr Parker Marsh 6.

The several following resolutions of the Report under the head of Collection of taxes were then adopted.

The first Resolution under the head of the " District Attorney was amended so as to read not less than two thousand five hundred dollars the other resolutions were adopted

The Second resolution was negatived

The First resolution under the head of Clerk of Oyer & Terminer and Sessions was amended so as to read not more than $1500 & not less than $1250 The other resolutions were adopted.

Under the head of " Police Justices on the question being taken to agree to the resolution that it is expedient to reduce the number [186] of Special Justices a Division having been called by the Recorder the members voted as follows

Affirmative Ald Taylor Dyckman Messrs St John Ireland Webb Thorn Marsh Doughty Downing. 9

Negative Mr Recorder Ald. Wyckoff Zabriskie McQueen Mann Messrs Bolton Cowdrey Parker 9

The Board being equally divided His Honor the Mayor gave his vote in the affirmative under the expectation that the 1st Resolution be amended so as to read not less than two nor more than three Special Justices which was agreed to & that resolution so amended and the succeeding resolution were adopted.

Under the head of Chief Clerk of Police the first resolution was amended so as to read not more than $1250 the blank in the third resolution was filled with $3000. The resolution under the head of City Inspector was stricken out.

The first Resolution under the head of [187] Crier was adopted on taking the question of the subsequent Resolution recommending to the Magistrates not to require at the Sessions the attendance of more than ten Marshalls a division having been called by Ald. Mann it was carried in the affirmtive the members voting as follows

Affirmative Ald Wyckoff Hall Zabriskie Taylor Dyckman Messrs Bolton St. John Ireland Cowdrey Webb Thorn Marsh Doughty Downing 14

Negative Mr Recorder Ald. McQueen Mann Mr Parker. 4.

The resolutions as amended were adopted & the Counsel was directed to prepare a Memorial & corresponding Bill to the Legislature agreably thereto.

The Report of the Finance Committee on the communication of the Mayor respecting taxes & dispensing with an annual applica^{n} therefore which was at the last meeting laid for consideration was now called up & after some discussion the further consideration was postponed.

The following resolution was presented by [188] Ald Hall. from the Finance Committee

Resolved that the Counsel be instructed to prepare a memorial to the Legislature together with the draft of a Bill authorising the Corporation to raise the sum of $300 000 by tax on the estates real & personal of the Freeholders & inhabitants of the City of New York and also such further sum as will pay the insolvent returns of the present year and defray the expense of collecting the whole amount.

Resolved that the said Bill contain a proviso authorising the Common Council to make and pass Such ordinances as they may from time to time deem proper and necessary for the purpose of regulating all theatrical and Equestrian Exhibitions all exhibitions of Rope & Wire dancing or performance of Slight of hand; all public gardens and generally all shows and exhibitions for gain at which any music shall be performed excepting such exhibitions of science or mechanical ingenuity or natural Curiosity or exhibition for Charitable purposes or improvements [189] in any arts or science as the Common Council may permit. and that no person or persons shall keep any public garden or exhibition as aforesaid without first obtaining a license for that purpose from the Mayor of said City and paying therefor such sum of money as the Common Council Shall from time to time require and also to impose penalties for the non performance of any such ordinances. *of any such ordinances* and the keeping of such public garden or exhibition without Such license not exceeding $500 for each offence.

After some discussion [they] were adopted and the Counsel was directed to prepare a memorial to the Legislature & corresponding Bill Mr Bolton gave notice that he would at the next meeting move for a reconsideration of the Question.

Alderman Taylor moved that the Board now proceed by Ballot agreably to the Constitution for two assistant Justices of the Peace for the 9th ward which was agreed to The[y] Proceeded accordingly & upon counting the Ballots it appeared that John [190] Doughty and Effingham Schiefflin were duly chosen

It was therefore Resolved that John Doughty and Effingham Schiefflin be and they are hereby appointed according to the Constitution and laws of this State Assistant Justices in and for the Ninth ward of the City of N York And the Clerk was directed to have Commissions prepared for issuing to the Several officers who under the Constitution are to be appointed by the Common Council

Ald Hall moved that the board now proceed to appoint a Visiting Surgeon to the Alms House in place of Dr Jacob Dyckman Decd which was agreed to The Board accordingly proceeded to Ballot for said office when it appeared that Stephen Brown was chosen, Whereupon it was resolved that Stephen Brown be and he is hereby appointed visiting Surgeon to the Alms House.

Mr Ireland presented the following resolution which was adopted Resolved [191] that the Superintendant of Repairs be and he is hereby directed to procure a Bell for the Washington Market.

Ald Mann presented the following which was adopted.

Resolved that a new Watch Post in the Cupola of the New Watch house in the third Watch district. be established

Mr Cowdrey presented a resolution directing an Inquiry as to the necessity of the Coroners taking an inquest. on cases of Persons dying in the Hospital Penitentiary Bridewell Gaol & the Limits of the Gaol which was referred to the Committee on Public Offices to report thereon.

Mr Doughty presented a resolution directing an Inquiry as to the expediency of removing certain Incumbrance in the Road at McGowans Pass and also to authorise the Road Committee to dispose of the Plank composing the Bridge across Bensons creek which was referred to the Road Commee

The Mayor Stating that he had a communican [192] to make which required Secrecy the

Doors were closed.

The Mayor read a letter*

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the Treasury 3d inst	$1342.86	
Received for tax 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10th, wards	17000.	
" Justices Courts	337.61	
" City Prison fees	93.	
" Excise	45.	18818.47

33 Accounts audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st Distt	$813.75
Hibberd & Clark " 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower " 3d "	624.75
G N Bleecker Compr 1 Qr Salary 15 inst	437.50
J P Roome Supt Repairs 1 Qr 14 "	250.
John Burger regulating 4 Pub. Clocks 1. Qr	50.
Chas Gilman Keeper of the Battery 1 mo	34.87
Andrew McCready do Park	34.87
Van Pelt & Spear printing 1 Qr	301.60
Saml Stephenson fees in Marine Court Vice Butchers for rent	138.31
Thoms Barnum Supr Mud Machine from 16th Decr to 26 Jan	108.10
[193] Executors of G Sickles late keeper of City Prison. Salary 1 novr to 20 Decr	138.65
George Thorp keeper of City Prison 20 Dec to 1 Feb	311.65
Richard L Walker physician to Do 1 Qr 1 inst	75.
Hermanus Tallman Coroner fees 1 Qr 1st inst	273.50
Chas H Robinson 21 Hohds Oil	2062.30
N Jarvis Corpn Assesst for Cistern in Broome St	4.
James Riley act pavr Grand St from Forsyth to Ludlow	658.10
Thomas Lovett act pavr Division fr Arundel to Grand	500.
H Smith do Greene fr Spring to Bleecker	400.
Thoms Lovett bal pavr Harman St. fr montgomery to Grand	385.15
G Culbert do Canal fro B.Way to Collect	300.
J Mehan do Mercer fro Prince to Bleecker	200.
H Smith do Prince fr B Way to McDougall	200.
Saml *Farger* [Forgay] repairing Sundry Intersections	42.60
O Edwards Counsel fees and Court Charges widr Maiden lane	407.91
O Edwards do do do Bleecker St	99.84
O Edwards do do do openr Orange St	92.16

* Record incomplete, but a memorandum in pencil states that the letter concerned a Canal from the Housatonick river to New York—which was referred to the Water Committee (see page 269 for letter and report thereon).—Ed.

J P Roome Supt of Repairs		Docks & Slips repairs.....	$1918.78	
J P Roome	do	Fire Departmt.....	400.	
J P Roome	do	Pump Departmt.....	156.	
J P Roome	do	Repairs.....	173.	
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House			5000.	17237.84
		Balance.....		$1580.63
Peter H Wendover for officers attending Courts, ordered at the board				1095.25
		Balance.....		$485.38

Board adjourned

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[195] Special Meeting.

In Common Council Feb 24th 1823.

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
	Wm H Ireland
James Hall	Samuel Cowdrey
George Zabriskie	John Webb
Robert McQueen	Shivers Parker
Asa Mann	Wm Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Jacobus Dyckman	George S Doughty
	George Downing

The minutes of last meeting were on motion read and approved.

A Petition of Richard Griffiths that his house No 203 Bancker St. may be at present permitted to remain where it now stands was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Christopher Hemma to be appointed an inspector of Firewood

[196] And a Similar Petition from Benjamin Waldron and from Joseph S Willoughby were refd to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition from sundry inhabitants that the houses in Grand Street may be numbered was referred to the Superintendant of Repairs with authority to cause the Same to be done

A Pet. of Thomas R Smith & John K Townsend Lessees of Public Docks & Slips asking some relief from their contract in consequence of their losses by reason of the prevalence of the Yellow fever during the last year was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of W^m^ Sheperd for further time. for payment of an assessment on his property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Hippolite Barrere remonstrating against the proposed tax on public Gardens was read & laid on the table.

[197] A Letter from John G. Betts stating that on account of his health he is constrained to resign his appointment as collector upon sundry Assessments. was read Whereupon his Resignation was accepted & it was referred to the Finance Committee with authority (Should they deem it advisable) to direct the remainder of said Assessments to be collected by Noah Jarvis & Morris De Camp.

A Pet. from Godfrey Klinch for Stall N^o^ 37 Catharine Market. was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Sundry Owners in Collect St. praying that the Canal may be extended from Pump St. to Franklin Street or as far as may be thought necessary was read and referred to the Canal Committee.

A Petition of Leffert Lefferts for appointm^t^ of Keeper of Potters field was referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition of Joseph Willoughby for appointment of Street Inspector was referred to the Committee on Applications

[198] A Petition of Sundry inhabitants that Bank Street be regulated from Hudson Street to the North River was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Notice was received from Assis^t^ Justice Hammond stating that the room now occupied by the Assistant Justices Court over which he presides was rented by the owner so that it could not be occupied for the ensuing year as a Court room & that it would be necessary to procure another room Which being read was referred to the Ald^n^ & Assist^s^ of the 1^st^ 2^nd^ & 3^d^ wards

The attorney in behalf of the Counsel presented a memorial to the Legislature & Corresponding Bill relative to a Free School under the Charge of the Common Council at the Alms House which was approved and directed to be duly authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature

He als[o] presented a memorial to the Legislature and a corresponding bill for establishing a new method of collecting taxes in the City of New York the Bill [199] having been read was in the words following

An Act establishing a new method of collecting Taxes in the City of New York.

Whereas the Mayor Aldermen and commonalty of the City of

New York have by their memorial under their Corporate Seal prayed for the Passage of the following law therefore

1st Be it enacted by the people of the State of New York represented in Senate and Assembly That notwithstanding any thing contained in the Charter of the Said City or any act of the Legislature it shall not hereafter be necessary or lawful to elect any collectors of or in the respective wards of the said City; but that all taxes of any description in said City shall be collected by one Collector as hereinafter provided Provided however that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect the Collectors already elected according to law in said City, but that proceed and discharge their duties in every respect as if this Act had [not] been passed.

II And be it further enacted That the [200] Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City in Common Council convened Shall from time to time appoint and Commission one general Collector to be denominated the City Collector whose duty it shall be to collect all taxes imposed on real or personal property in the said City under the authority of the State, and that the said Collector shall be allowed and paid a stated annual Salary to be fixed and determined from time to time by the said Common Council payable quarter yearly: and that the said Collector shall hold his appointment during the pleasure of the said Common Council.

III. And be it further enacted that the said collector when appointed shall before he enters upon the duties of his office Subscribe and take an oath before the Mayor or Recorder of the said City for the time being well and truly to discharge the duties thereof according to Law; and shall also enter into a bond with two competent Sureties, to be first approved of by the Mayor [201] of the said city and a majority of the Committee on Finance of the Common Council of the said City for the time being in such penal sum as the Common Council shall deem reasonable Conditioned that the said Collector shall well and faithfully discharge all the duties required of and trust reposed in him by his office and account for and pay over all moneys to be by him received by virtue of his office which oath and bond shall be filed in the office of the Comptroller of said City

IV And be it further enacted that the said Collector to be appointed as aforesaid shall be and is hereby invested with all the powers and authority which the Collectors of taxes in the City and County of New York now have, possess or exercise by or under the Charter of said City or under and by virtue of any act of the Legislature and that all laws or parts of Laws relating to the Collectors of taxes in

the City and county of New York shall be deemed to apply to every intent & purpose not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act to the Collector So to be appoin[d] [202] as aforesaid.

V. And be it further enacted that the Said Common Council are hereby authorised to declare and ordain at what period or periods annually the taxes in the said City Shall be paid to said Collector and shall and may also allow a rebate of not exceeding one per cent. to such persons as shall pay their taxes within the time or times so to be limited; and to exact and receive from all such persons as shall refuse or neglect to pay according to the regulations of the Common Council a percentage not exceeding fourteen on the amount Assessed upon them respectively

VI And be it further enacted that the said Collector shall hold his office at such place or places in the said City and remain there during such hours, and pay over the monies to be by him collected in virtue of his office to the City Chamberlain and exhibit his assessment Rolls whenever required so to do at such times [203] as the said Common Council shall from time to time direct and ordain under such penalties for each neglect or default. (in addition to the forfeiture of the aforesaid Bond) not exceeding $250 as the said Common Council may ordain & prescribe to be sued for and appropriated as they may direct and ordain.

VII And Be it Further Enacted, That the said Common Council shall be and are hereby invested with full power and authority from time to time to pass such bye laws and regulations for the appointment of any clerks or assistants to said Collector and prescribing their duties and with respect to notifying the inhabitants when the taxes are assessed and payable, and where, & generally such bye laws and regulations respecting the Collection of taxes within the said City as to them may seem most beneficial.

Alderman Mann moved that the consideration be postponed the question being taken thereon it passed in the negative the Ayes & Noes having been called by [204] Ald Mann the Members voted as follows

Negative Ald Wyckoff Hall Zabriskie Taylor Mr St John Ireland Cowdrey Webb Doughty 9

Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald McQueen Mann Dyckman Mr Parker Thorn Marsh Downing 8.

Upon the question of Agreeing to the 1[st] Section of the Bill it was carried in the Affirmative the Ayes & Noes having been required by Ald Mann the members voted as follows

Affirmative Ald. Wyckoff Hall Zabriskie Taylor Mr St John Ireland Cowdrey Webb Thorn Doughty 10

Negative Mr Recorder Ald. McQueen Mann Dyckman Mr Parker Marsh Downing 7.

The 2nd 3d & 4th Sections were agreed to. on the Question upon agreeing to the 5th Section Mr Cowdrey Moved to Strike out from the rebate of one per cent to be allowed the word one and insert not exceeding three per cent the question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative the Ayes & Noes having been [205] called by Mr Cowdrey were as follows.

Negative Mr Recorder Ald Wyckoff McQueen Mann Taylor Dyckman Mr Parker Thorn Marsh Doughty Downing 11.

Affirmative Ald King Hall Zabriskie Mr St John Ireland Cowdrey Webb. 7.

The Section was then agreed to.

The Sections as amended were then agreed to & on the Question of agreeing to the whole bill it was carried in the Affirmative the Ayes & Noes having been called by Ald Parker the Members voted as follows.

Affirmative Ald Wyckoff King Hall Zabriskie Taylor Mr St John Ireland Cowdrey Webb Thorn Doughty & Downing 12.

Negative Mr Recorder Ald McQueen Mann Taylor Mr Parker Marsh 6

It was on motion ordered that it be printed for the use of the members Ald Mann gave notice that he would at the next meeting move for a reconsideration.

The Attorney Also in behalf of the Counsel presented a Memorial and Bill to the [206] Legislature for raising by tax the sum of $300000 which being read was in the words following

An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to raise money by tax.

1st Be it enacted by the People of the State of New York represented in Senate and Assembly. That the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen of the City of New York as the supervisors of the City and County of N. York. or a majority of them of whom the Mayor or recorder shall be one shall be and are hereby empowered as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act. to order and cause to be raised by tax on the estates real and personal of the freeholders and inhabitants of and situated within the said city to be collected a sum not exceeding $160000 to be applied to the Support and maintenance of the poor of the said City and County the support and

maintenance of Criminal persons the support and repairs of the Bridewell and Penitentiary of the said City the repairing and taking care of other public buildings of said City belonging to & [207] under the Custody and care of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York. the making, regulating, repaving & improving the public roads in the said City & County the defraying other contingent expenses arising within and properly chargeable to the said City and county and for defraying the expenses which the Mayor Aldermen & Comonalty of the City of N. York may sustain or be put to in executing the power vested in them by the Act passed the Ninth of April one thousand Eight hundred and thirteen entitled " An Act to reduce several laws. relating particularly to the City of New York into one act, and also such further Sum by a tax as aforesaid as is required to be raised by a tax in the said city for the Support of Common Schools and as may be necessary for supplying the deficiencies of taxes upon any and every of the wards of the said City, imposed or laid during the Year one thousand Eight hundred and twenty two owing to the insolvencies of the Collectors of the said wards or any or either of them or their inability to collect the said tax and also for defraying the whole of the expense for assessing and collecting the [208] taxes to be raised as aforesaid such deficiencies however to be assessed on their estates real and personal on the inhabitants of and situated within the said wards respectively where they shall happen as aforesaid And also a further Sum not exceeding one hundred and Thirty two thousand dollars by a tax on the estates real and personal of the freeholders and inhabitants of and situate within the said City to the Southward of a line beginning at the North river at a place called Deklines ferry a little to the Northward of the State Prison. and running thence easterly in front of the New Bank houses to the road called Sandy Hill road and through the said road to the nort[h]ward of Potters field and the house of W^{m} Neilson to Broad way through Broad way to thirteenth Street and through thirteenth Street to the East river including all the lots fronting on both sides of the Street thus designated to be applied to the payment of so many watchmen as the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened shall appoint and employ for watching *and* the said City to the purchasing of Oil [209] providing lamps and putting up the same and repairing cleansing and lighting those which now are or may hereafter be erected within that part of the City last described, to the cleansing and repairing public wells and pumps in the said City and to the defraying the other contingent expenses arising within and

properly Chargeable to that part of the said City to the Southward of the line aforesaid as the Said Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council Convened May from time to time direct: and also such further sum by a tax as aforesaid as may be necessary for supplying the deficiencies of taxes upon all that part of the City to the Southward of the line aforesaid during the Year 1822 owing to the insolvencies of the Collectors of the Said wards or any or either of them or their inability to collect the said tax and also for defraying the expenses of assessing and Collecting said taxes such deficiencies however to be assessed on the estates real and personal of the freeholders and inhabitants of and situate within the Said wards respectively where they shall happen as aforesaid to the Southward of *of* the line aforesaid.

II And be it further enacted that the said several sums of money shall be assessed in the manner [210] directed by the Act. entitled "An Act for the Assessment and Collection of taxes" and each persons tax in one ward shall be collected in one payment and the monies so Collected paid into the hands of the treasurer or Chamberlain of the said City at such times after the passing of this Act As the said Mayor recorder and Aldermen, as the Supervisors of the said City and County of New York or a majority of them of whom the Mayor or recorder Shall be one shall appoint and direct.

III. And be it further enacted That it shall be lawful for the Collectors of the first second and third wards of the said City to retain in their hands two cents on each dollar by them Collected: The Collector of the fourth ward of the said City to retain in his hands four cents on each dollar by him Collected; the collectors of the Fifth Sixth Seventh Eighth and tenth wards of said City to retain in their hands four and one half cents on each dollar by them collected and the Collector of the Ninth ward of said City to retain in his hands 5 & ½ cents on each dollar by him Collected and no more, as a full compensation [211] to each of the said Collectors respectively, for their trouble in collecting and paying to the said treasurer or Chamberlain the monies which shall be raised by virtue of this Act.

After Some discussion Mr Cowdrey moved that the Bill be referred to the Board of Supervisors the question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative the Ayes & Noes having been required by Mr Cowdrey the Members voted as follows

Negative Ald. King McQueen Mann Dyckman Mr Webb Parker Thorn Marsh Doughty 9

Affirmative Ald Wyckoff Hall Zabriskie Taylor Mr St John Ireland Cowdrey Downing 8.

Whereupon the same was directed to be authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature

The Attorney also in behalf of the Counsel presented a memorial to the Legislature & Corresponding Bill respecting the Salaries of the District Attorney. Police Justices & other officers of Criminal Justice in the City of New York which were considered approved & directed to be authenticated & transmitted to the Legislature

He also presented A memorial to the Legisla- [212] ture & Corresponding bill respecting Hackney coaches & Places of Public amusement. in the City of New York which were read approved directed to be duly authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature

The Attorney also presented a report in the Case of David Dunham who had been prosecuted for not complying with an ordinance directed by the City Inspr for filling in certain lots which was referred to the Police Commee

The Committee on the Fire department represented that frequent complaints were made of Firemen running their Engine on the side Walks and to prevent the Same and for some further regulation they presented an ordinance which was read and laid on the table.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the Pet. of Sundry owners of property praying for an extension of the Fire limits reported as follows. The Committee on the Fire Department [213] to whom was referred the petition of sundry owners of property praying for an extension of the Fire limits so as to commence at a line at the foot of Canal St on the North river running along the Southerly Side thereof to collect St and through the Same to Pearl Street And also up Broad Way as far as Prince Street including 200 feet on each side of Broadway

Report.

That Your Committee are of opinion every encouragement ought to be given for the Extension of the fire limits particularly when so many respectable owners of Property desire it they therefore recommend that application be made to the Legislature for the passage of a Law to have the limits so extended as to embrace all that is asked for by the petitioners except that part of the City lying between Collect and Elm Streets thereby making the line run from Canal Street along the westerly side of Elm instead of Canal to Pearl St The Committee therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution

Resolved that the Attorney of the Board prepare a petition and draft of a law in conformity to the Above Report

[214] (Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall
Robert McQueen

The Same being read was adopted altering the boundaries as follows.

Commencing at Canal Street on the north river running through Canal Street to Elm Street through Elm St. to Pearl St. including one hundred feet on the west side of Elm St. and one hundred feet on Both Sides of Canal St. and also running up Broad way to Art Street including one hundred feet on both sides of Broad way.

And the Attorney was directed to prepare & report a memorial & Bill to the Legislature on the Subject.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Caleb Felch for payment of a balance due to him for regulating Pitt Street reported in his favor as follows

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of Caleb Felch for the payment of a balance due him for regulating Pitt Street from [215] Grand to Broome Street

Report. that inasmuch as the said regulation was completed according to contract and the Assessment for the same principally Collected Your Committee recommend that the balance now due the petitioner be paid and they recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be instructed to issue his warrant in favour of the said Caleb Felch for twenty Dollars & 79/100. to be paid to him as the balance now due said C. Felch

Signed James Hall
George Zabriskie
S Cowdrey
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff.

Which was approved the resolution adopted & the Comptroller directed to report a Warrant therefor

His Honor the Mayor stated that in Consequence of a petition having been presented by several Inhabitants respecting an application to Congress for the removal of the North Battery & cession of the ground to the Corporation he had [216] written to Mr Cambreleng one of the Representatives from this City in Congress on that subject & also requesting information from him of the situation of the applica-

tion respecting Fort Clinton that he had received several letters from Mr Cambreleng and one on the 19th instant enclosing a letter to him from J. C. Calhoun Secy of War which he read as follows.

War Department
Washington 18 Feby 1823

Sir

I have the honour to inform you that the proper officer has reported Castle Clinton to be no longer required as a Military position for the defence of the Harbour & City of New York & that orders have been given for dismantling & evacuating the Post. When this shall be completed the necessary steps will be taken for carrying into effect the Act of 30th March 1822.

I have the honor at the same time of advising you that the Retention & Preservation of the North Battery at the foot of Hubert Street is considered essentially necessary so long as other defences [217] than the existing ones are incomplete

I have the honor to be &c

J. C. Calhoun

To the Hon
C C Cambreleng
House of Representatives

Which being read the same was referred to the Battery Committee

Mr Cowdrey presented a resolution referring to the board of Health to consider and determine whether any measures in addition to those they are now pursuing are or will shortly be necessary for guarding and securing the public health of the City & report thereon to the Board which being read was agreed to and referred to the Board of Health

Mr Marsh moved a resolution that the Board now proceed to appoint the Assistant Justices of the Four District ward courts & the Clerk of the said Courts which was agreed to The Board accordingly proceeded thereto when

Judah Hammond was appointed Justice of the first district
Elisha Morrill Do 2nd dist
Henry Meigs Do 3d do
Harris Scovell Do 4th do

[218] Ald Zabriskie then proposed the following resolutions which were adopted

Resolved that Judah Hammond be and he is hereby appointed an

Assistant Justice for the First Second & third wards of the City of New York agreably to the laws and Constitution of this State

Resolved that Elisha Morrill be and he is hereby appointed an Assist. Justice for the 4th & 6th Wards of the City of New York agreably to the laws & Constitution of this State.

Resolved that Henry Meigs be and he is hereby appointed an assistant Justice for the 5th & 6th Wards of the City of New York agreably to the laws & Constitution of this State

Resolved that Harris Scovell be and he is hereby appointed an Assistant Justice for the Seventh & 10th Wards of the City of New York agreably to the Laws & Constitution of this State.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council make out proper Commissions for each of the above Justices.

Ald. Taylor then moved that the board [219] now proceed to appoint the Clerks of the Several district ward courts which was agreed to The Board accordingly proceeded thereto when upon counting the Ballots it appeared that

David Cowdrey was appointed Clerk of the First District

George Betts Clerk of the 2nd District

John Campbell Clerk of the 3d District

Wm H Smith Clerk of the 4th district

Ald Zabriskie then moved the following resolutions

Resolved that David Coudrey be and he is hereby appointed Clerk of the Assistant Justices Court of the First District comprising the 1st 2nd & 3d Wards of the City of N. York

Resolved that John Campbell be and he is hereby appointed Clerk of the Assistant Justices Court of the third district comprising the 5th & 6th Wards of the City of New York

Resolved that Wm H Smith be and he is hereby appointed Clerk of the Assistant Justices Court of the fourth district comprising the seventh & 10th Wards of the City of New York. which were adopted and the Clerk was directed to make out proper Commissions for the said [220] Clerks and to give them notice of their appointment with notice to execute Bonds with Sureties as required by Law.

The Mayor Stated that the Commee appointed at the last meeting when the Board sat with Closed doors were ready to report Whereupon

The Doors were closed

For Proceedings of the meeting with Closed doors see page 269.

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[223] In Common Council March 3d 1823.

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
James Hall	Wm H Ireland
George Zabriskie	Samuel Cowdrey
Robert McQueen	John Webb
Asa Mann	Shivers Parker
Jacob B Taylor	Wm Thorn
Jacobus Dyckman	David Marsh
	George S Doughty
	George Downing.

The mnutes of last meting were read and approved.

A Resignation of Jonas Bush assistant of the City Watch of the first district was received and it was resolved that the resignation be accepted.

A Petition of Wm Lord for permission to remove a Frame Shop from Cheapside Street [224] to a Vacant Lot in Front Street between Catharine & Oliver St. was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Two Petitions from a number of inhabitants complaining of the Ferry at Grand Street leased to David Dunham & praying that it may be regulated as the other Ferries was referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of Henry Rutgers & others of property in Pike Street praying that it be widened & Extended from Cherry Street to the intersection of Pump & Allen St & that said improvement may be made before the owners of property in Pump & Allen Street shall commence building was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Patrick Hayden to permit his house on Pike Street to Stand where it now is for some time longer was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition from a number of Inhabitants [225] of Pike Street praying that the houses on the West side of said Street may be permitted to remain one year longer as they understand Pike Street will not be opened for some time was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James D Bassett for appointmt of Inspector of Weights and measures was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of A number of inhabitants respecting a Well at intersection of Wooster & Grand Street praying that a log with a bore of at least six inches width may be driven in said Well which they think will afford to them good water was read and referred to the Ald. & Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner

A Petition of Michael Tally for payment of his Contract for paving Clark Street was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of W^{m} Shaw complaining of an Assessment on him for paving Prince Street was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

[226] A Petition of W^{m} C. Sperry son of Hen^{y} Sperry dec^{d} praying that the pension Certificate of his Father now in the possession of the Superintendant of the Alms House may be delivered to him as the administrator on the estate of the dec^{d} was read and Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

A Petition of Thomas L Ogden for water grant & in front of his property on the East river between 5th & 7th Streets was read & referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

A Petition of Robert Sneden to be appointed keeper of Potters field was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of Peter Berton for appointm^{t} as chief Clerk of Police office was read and referred to the Committee on Applicat^{s}

A Petition of a Committee from the inhabitants of the South part of the City complaining of vessells lying in Coenties Slip for the greater part of the year for the purpose of selling [227] Fish therefrom & requesting relief from the Premises was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Owners of lots fronting on Green Street praying that a well & Pump may be sunk in said Street near the intersection of Bleecker & Houston St. was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the ward & St. Comm^{r}

A Petition of George Thompson for relief from a personal tax was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The trustees of the Bank of Savings agreably to the directions of the Act to incorporate an association by the name of a Bank for savings in the City of New York presented their Fourth Report of their Institution which was read & ordered to be put on file

The trustees of the Sailors Snug harbor presented a Statement of the Funds of that Institution which was referred to his honor the Mayor to correct and examine the Statement & the same to be thereupon [228] put on file the Report was as follows.

Statement of the Funds and Annual income of the Sailors Snug Harbour.

Rents.				
of Houses			2247.50	
" Lots			$1243.50	3491.
Interest on Stock				
United States six per cents		22897.18		
Deferred	1430.84	$24328.02	$1459.73	
Three per cents	723.42		21.69	
State of New York 6 pr. Ct	5.200.		312.	
City of New York do	3000.		180.	1973.42
Amount of Stock		$32528.02		
Bank Stock Manhattan 242 Sh. at $50. $12.300.				
Dividend 7 per Cent			861.	
Mechanics 78 a[t] 25 1950				
Dividend 7 pr. Ct			136.50	
City 42. $50 2100			105.	1102.50
Amount of Bank Stock 16350				
Insurance Stock Mutual 125 sh a[t] $50. 6250				
Dividend 9 per cent			562.50	
Eagle 33 sh $100 3.300				
Dividend 9 pr Ct			297.	859.50
Bonds & Mortgages at 7 pr Ct. $14600			1022.	4957.42
Total Amount $73028.02				

His Honor the Mayor stated that there [229] had been sent to him to day a printed report of the Water Committee of Philadelphia detailing the proceedings of the said Commee on the measures pursued by them for supplying the said City with water which as the C Council are now pursuing similar measures in relation to this City may give useful information to us; he therefore thought it would be useful to obtain some Copies of said Report. It was therefore on motion Reslved that 25 Copies of said report be procured for the use of the members of the Board

A Petition of Mrs L Wooster in behalf of her son Captain Charles W Wooster was received Stating that her said Son is now and has been for several years past absent from the City—that he has no personal property but has been assessed & taxed therefor & praying for him relief from said Assessment was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Letter was received from Moses Cunningham late Assistant Jus-

tice of the 5th ward stating that there is a report in circulation that [230] his not being reappointed to the office of Justice was in consequences of charges brought against his private character by a member of the Board & praying a committee may be appointed to investigated the charges that he may have an opportunity of refuting them and clearing his reputation

A Motion to refer the Same to a special Committee was negatived and it was resolved that he have leave to withdraw his applicatn

The following persons were appointed fireman the Chief Engineer Certifying the vacancies

Hose Company No 1

John E Canmeyer Morocco dresser 25 Crosby St. vice, new member.

Supply engine No 1.

Henry Lawrence Merchant No 94 Chatham St New Member.

Fire Engine No 1.

Joseph Gouge Carpenter 5 Thomas St. vice Albert Journeay appd F. W.

No 9.

Henry Ward Cabinet maker 69 Broad St vice Stephen H Herrick resigned

Thomas Williams Cabinet maker 69 Broad St vice Wm P Evans resigned

[231] Jacob Dawson Cabinet maker 69 Broad St. vice Thomas W Slover resigned

Wm W Cox Cabinet maker 69 Broad Street vice Phineas B Carman resigned

Nicholas F Dullager Shoemaker 116 Broad St. vice Cornelius Van Cleef time expired.

No 15

Alexander McC Smith tavern keeper Bowery vice Simeon Pye resigned.

No 17.

Theophilus Richards Watch maker 168 Cherry St vice Wm Scott Resigned

Amos T Morris Grocer c Roosevelt & Cherry vice Henry E Hoyt Resigned

No 25

John Westervelt Grocer 36 Reed St vice Harvey White Resigned

Richard J Polhamus. 11 Peck Slip Merchant vice Isaac Harris Resigned

N° 27.

Abraham M°Bride Stone Cutter 172 Duane St. vice Benson Lumarux Resigned.

N° 28

Joseph G. Stanton Cordwainer 35 Lispenard vice John C Note resigned

W^m N Parcells Coach Painter 46 Lispenard vice A M C Smith resigned

[232] Engine Comp^y N° 31.

Ransom Swartwout Carpenter Leonard St. vice Isaac Brown Resigned

W^m D Craig Carpenter Lispenard St. vice John Bloomfield Joined H & L N° 3.

Cooper Woodruff. Carpenter North Moore St vice Elias Dixon time expired

Edward D Cooper Carpenter Anthony St vice Ephraim Cutter expelled

Nicolas H Mandeville Carpenter Sullivan St vice Elijah P Oliver resigned

N° 37.

Isaac H Smith Shoemaker 88 Eldridge St vice Ezekiel Leggett. resigned

W^m Hurley morocco dresser 81 Division St. vice David Knapp Resigned.

The Street Commissioner presented a return of the delinquency of the trustees of the Congregation of Sherath Israel for widening & extending Oliver Street Whereupon a warrant was ordered to issue to Morris De Camp Collector to Collect the Same.

He also upon the report of the Street Committee presented the following [233] ordinances which were passed Vizt

For a Well and Pump in Carmine Street near Herring St. and Benjamin Prince James Bleecker & John Brower were appointed Assessors.

Also For regulating so much of Pearl St. as may be necessary to conform to the intended regulation of Maiden lane & Fly market St. together with suitable Culverts & Drains for carrying off the waters thereof & John Targee Benjamin Prince & John Brower were app^d Assessors.

Also for repaving Maiden lane from Pearl St to Nassau St. & John Targee Benjamin Prince & John Brower were app^d Assessors

Also for extending the Sewer from Fly market St. into Maiden lane & for building lateral Drain & Culverts connected therewith & John Targee Benjamin Prince & John Brower were appd Assessors.

The City Inspector presented an ordinance for correcting a nuisance at corner of Washn & Harman St commonly called Rhinelander Brewery which was passed.

He also presented the following ordinances [234] for correction of Nuisances which were passed.

No						
	1.	E G Smith	Agent		Harrison & Washington	A Lot
	2	Saml Mitchell	occupant	259	Broadway	Privy
	3	W. B. Rand	Do	7	Burling Slip	Do
	4	Woodhull & Davis	Do	33	do	do
	5	Blossom & Williams		35	do	do
	6	Samuel S Newman		37	do	do
	7	George Selleck		21	Barclay	do
	8	G Gilmore		25	do	do
	9	P Millard		37	do	do
	10	J Patterson		55	do	do
	11	Chas Smith		82	do	do
	12	A McDougall		2	Chapel	do
	13	S Frazer		3	do	do
	14	Wm Wilmot		4	do	do
	15	J Miller		6	do	do
	16	F Barker		7	do	do
	17	Z P Morris		8	do	do
	18	S Lyons		22	do	do
	19	J Embury		23	do	do
	20	R W Slack		24	do	do
	21	A Boyer		59	Church	do
	22	Benjamin F Hart		61	do	do
	23	E Hatton		26	Chrystie	do
	24	Wm Rankin		10	Dutch St	do
	25	Wm Hagner		11	do	do
	26	[235] John Myers	occupant	37	Elms Street	do
	27	James Merrit	do	39	do	do
	28	P J Mead	do	2	Fulton	do
	29	Willett & Mott	do	4	do	do
	30	D Wood	do	6	do	do
	31	Vanbrunt & Doty	do	10	do	do
	32	Woodhull & Smith		12	do	do
	33	Rowland & Spencer		14	do	do
	34	J Jobes	do	64	do	do
	35	Havens & Woodhull	do	172	Front	do
	36	J B Coddington	do	174	do	do
	37	J Schembers	do	5	Gold St	do
	38	L Cronly	do	8	do	do
	39	R Marshall	do	10	do	do

40	P Brennan	occupant	36	Gold St	Privy
41	*Sanrue* [Silvanus] Horton	do	47	do	do
42	Aaron Guy	do	48	do	do
43	John Flinn	do	258	do	do
44	N. B. Holmes	do	260	do	do
45	Wm Osborne	do	220	Greenwich St	do
46	David Earle	do	223	do	do
47	Wm Robertson	do	226	do	do
48	Daniel Westervelt	do	229	do	do
49	James Waters	do	237	do	do
50	J Abrahams	do	243	do	do
51	Wm McCrea	do	244	do	do
52	J Wallace	do	246	do	do
53	[236] Wm McClusky	do	248	do	do
54	Levi Hart	Do	259 [249]	do	do
55	M & W Moore	Do	250	do	do
56	Thomas Ewbank	Do	25	John St.	do
57	G Young	Do	31	Do	Do
58	T Mesnard	Do	35	Do	Do
59	A Perrot	do	56	do	do
60	J Jaques	do	58	do	do
61	Chas *Frager* [Fraser]	do	69	do	do
62	M Ellion	do	71	do	do
63	R Gender	do	84	do	do
64	Js Chesterman	do		John C Nassau	do
65	E. C. Priest	do	8	Murray	do
66	Wm M Seixas	do	8½	do	do
67	B *S* [F] Many	do	23	do	do
68	Chas DeBost	do	25	do	do
69	Js Many	do	27	do	do
70	N Gantley	do	51	do	do
71	H Cochrane	do	63	do	do
72	E Hyde	do	64	do	do
73	J Walker	do	87	do	do
74	D Cudlip	do	87½	do	do
75	Eli Wadsworth	do	89	do	do
76	David Forman	do	91	do	do
77	J A Snyder	do	73	Maiden lane	do
78	J P Dewint	do	75	do	do
79	J G Wendel	do	77	do	do
80	[237] Wm Taylor	occupant	79	do	do
81	A Rhodes	do	81	do	do
82	L Wandall	do	83	do	do
83	J & T Clarke	do	85	do	do
84	John DeWolfe		87	do	do
85	R Kingsland	do	89	do	do
86	Wm Cox	do	91	do	do
87	Hyde & Banta	do	93	do	do

88	J Adema	occupant	119	*Maiden lane* [Fly Market]	Privy
89	R Vannuyse	do	157	*do* [do]	do
90	M & J Dissosway	do	201	Pearl	do
91	J Clapp	do	207	do	do
92	J Clendinning	do	209	do	do
93	A Post	do	244	do	do
94	J Price	do	34	Robinson St	do
95	J Henrietta	do	37	do	do
96	D Ryckman	do	52	do	do
97	H Bertholf	do	52	Sullivan	do
98	G Griswold	do	86	South	do
99	Willis & Drake	do	88	do	do
100	John Nexen	do	89	do	do
101	Mitchell and Bleeker	do	90	do	do
102	Schenck & Birdsall	do	91	do	do
103	S Hendrickson	do	92	do	do
104	R S Williams	do	93	do	do
105	J Cochrane	do	23	Warren	do
106	A Wilkinson	do	37	do	do
107	[238] Mrs P Vandervoot	do	53	do	do
108	John Marander	do	55	do	do
109	T McConcky	do	63	do	do
110	A Jennings	do	77	do	do
111	Thomas Oliver	do	85	do	do
112	Thomas Fanning	do	89	do	do
113	James Mara	do	199	Washington St	do
114	P Allison	do	201	Do	Do
115	T H Van Allen	do	203	do	do
116	G Chevalier	do	209	do	do
117	David Beattie	do	213	do	do
118	Matthew Clark	do	215	do	do
119	James Skinner	do	221	do	do
120	John Shotwell	do	223	do	do
121	Alexander Stewart	do	227	do	do
122	Thomas Nesbit	do	227	do	do
123	James Ryan	do	227	do	do
124	Robert Hoe	do	90	William	do
125	Mary Ann Ray	do	105	do	do
126	Miss Babbs	do	113	do	do
127	J Wintringham	do	125	do	do
128	Samuel *Brown* [Brower]	do	127	do	do
129	A R Miller	do	128	do	do
130	Thomas M Ellis	do	*123*[133]	do	do
131	*Robert* [Richard] Yeo	do	165	Water St	do
132	E Boldston	do	166	do	do
133	Robert G Wilson	do	*160*[9]	do	do

(Signed) George Cumming, C. I.

[239] A representation was received from the Attorney stating that several persons had been fined for not cleaning the Snow from the side walks & they had complained that the walks around the public places of the Park &c were in a similar situation—he stated that the Law made no provision for those places & he had made the representation that proper measures might be taken respecting it Whereupon it was referred to the Street Committee

He also made a representation of the case of John C Teale who had been fined for exercising the business of Pawn broker without license & had paid one fine & recommended to the consideration of the Board the remission of any other penalty which was referred to the Police Committee

He also presented agreably to order a Memorial to the Legislature & corresponding Bill for extending the Fire limits which were approved and were directed to be duly authenticated and transmitted to the Legislature.

The Finance Committee on the [240] petition of James Gardner & John Heyer Execrs of John Gardner decd reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Heyer and James Gardner Executors of the estate of John Gardner deceased to be remunerated for the Loss of Wharfage of which they deem themselves to have been deprived by the establishment of a Ferry at the foot of Grand Street whereby vessels were prevented from coming in and lying at the wharf which they had built on the line of their Grants which wharf forms the northerly side of Grand Street Slip. And a further petition from the same persons to be granted a new certificate in lieu of one they had lost or mislaid authorising them to collect and receive the wharfage arising from the South side of Broome St. which wharf they had also built on the northerly side of their grant.

Report. that your committee have examined the Grant made by the Corporation to John Gardner and find that according to the provisions thereof the Grantee was required to [241] build a good and sufficient wharf or Street 25 feet in breadth on each side of his Grant. and keep the same in good repair as a public wharf or Street And as is usual in granting water lots the Corporatn in this instance reserved a public Slip at the foot of Grand Street together with all the wharfage arising therefrom along both sides of said Slip to the end of the Wharf. leaving to the grantee only that which arises from the wharf at the end of his grant to the extent of the breadth of said grant in front so that the Petitioners have no claim to the wharfage accruing from

either side of their grant. the Slip on both sides and consequently the wharfage accruing therefrom being public property.

They therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitionr is unreasonable and ought not to be granted

(Signed) James Hall
Henry J Wyckoff
S Cowdrey
George Zabriskie
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

[242] The Committee on Applications to the Legislature on the Petition of Peter Stuyvesant & others for a Law to assess the expences of Maps Surveys &c of the Streets and Avenues between the 3d Avenue & the Easteriver presented a Report accompanied with a Memorial to the Legislature & accompanying Bill on the subject. the Report was as follows,

The Committee on Applications to the Legislature to whom was referred the petition of Peter Stuyvesant and others praying that application may be made to the Legislature of this State for a Law to assess the expences of Surveys Maps profile and a Model Shewing the intended permanent regulation of the Streets & avenues lying between the third avenue and the East river and between North and twenty eighth Streets in this City

Report, that they have prepared the Draft of a memorial and a Law on the subject which they herewith present in order that the memorial may be executed and together with the Law be forwarded to the Legislature—And accordingly Submit the following resolution

[243] Resolved that the memorial stated in the foregoing Report be duly executed and that, together with the draft of a Law accompanying it be forwarded to the Legislature.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Samuel Cowdrey
James Hall
Thomas Bolton
Asa Mann

Whereupon it was resolved that the same be authenticated & transmitted with the Bill to the Legislature

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th Ward & Street Commissioner on the Petition for a Pump in Sullivan Street reported Vizt

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th ward and Street Commissioner

to whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons requesting that a Well may be built and a Pump erected therein in Sullivan Street near Houston Street Report,

That there is no objection in their opinion in granting the prayer of the Petitioners and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the [244] *of the* Petitioners be granted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves St. Comr

Which was approved and the Street Commr reported an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed

The Street Committee on the Petition of Meserole & Higgins Contractors for Street Manure on subject of a place for deposit of Manure reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Messrs Higgins And Meserole praying that a suitable place may be assigned them to deposit the Street Manure within the limits prescribed by Law, between the 1st of November and the 1st of June Report.

That in their opinion the request of the petitioners ought not to be granted inasmuch as it would be in direct violation of a very salutary ordinance of the Common Council and bring a Nuisance near the dwellings of some of the Inhabitants in the more compact parts of the City Your Committee think that the petitioners have no cause [245] of Complaint as they fully understood the ordinance in all its requisitions before entering into Contract they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor.
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Wm H Ireland
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition of Richard Varrick in relation to his block of Ground in the Eigth Ward bounded by Bleecker Sullivan Houston & Thompson Streets Reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Rich-

ard Varick in relation to his block of ground situated in the Eighth ward of this City and Bounded by Bleecker Sullivan Houston & Thompson Streets.

Report,

That they have had the subject under their deliberate Consideration & have agreed to recommend the acceptance [246] of the propositions made by Col Varick so far as relates to the relinquishment of all the Earth & Buildings thereon on the part of the Corporation lying in the Streets respectively adjacent to and in front of his said block except so much thereof as may be necessary to regulate the said Streets respectively in front of and adjoining the Block aforesaid & also on condition that he the said Richard Varick shall remove the earth and Buildings from off Bleecker Street on or before the 1st day of July next. and the Earth from Sullivan & Thompson Streets whenever it shall be required so to be done by the Corporation aforesaid except so much thereof as may be necessary to regulate the Streets as aforesaid and also on condition that he the said Richard Varick shall convey to the Corporation aforesaid by Cession or otherwise all his right and interest which he may have in the Streets aforesaid by purchase or possession to the lines as set forth in his said memorial to wit. 398 feet on Thompson St. & on Sullivan St. & 200 feet on Bleecker and on Houston Sts and also that he the said Richard Varick will relinquish to the said Corporation [247] the sum awarded him by the Commissioners of Estimate & Assessment for damages in widening & improving Bleecker St. aforesaid amounting to $\$434^{68}/_{100}$ and also that he the said Richard Varick shall release the said Corporation from all actions & claims against them and their agents for any injuries he may have sustained or supposed to have received from them in any manner whatsoever

Your Committee respectfully recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the Conditions proposed by Richard Varick so far as they are expressed on the foregoing report be accepted.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor.
David Marsh
Asa Mann
Wm H Ireland
Samuel St. John.

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted

The Cessions of ground & release of all actions & causes of Action mentioned in said report were presented duly executed by said Richard

Varick and were accepted by the Common Council and directed to be recorded & filed in the office of the Comptroller

[248] The Same Committee on the Petition for extending the Sewer to W^m^ Street reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Sundry Persons Owners of Property on Maiden lane between Pearl & William Street requesting that a Sewer may be extended to W^m^ Street

Report.

That they have had the subject under their deliberate consideration & have examined maps & Profiles relating to it and are of opinion that there is no necessity for continuing the Sewer to the extent asked for, as every purpose will be answered by carrying the water on the Surface to near Pearl Street and that the raising and regulating of the Street will be the same as if the Sewer should be extended to William Street besides the saving of a sum not less than $2500 and should the Sewer be extended agreably to their request it cannot be completed the ensuing season as the Street will be occupied a greater part of the Summer with building materials [249] under all these circumstances your comm^e^ are induced to offer the following resolut^s^

Resolved that the present Sewer at Fly Market Street be extended to such distance above Pearl Street as may be necessary to unite with Culverts to be formed in maiden lane.

Resolved that Maiden lane be regulated & repaved from Pearl Street to Nassau St.

Resolved that So much of Pearl Street be taken up raised and repaved as may be necessary to make it conform to the regulation of Fly market Street and Maiden lane, and that the Street Commissioner prepare Ordinances for carrying the object of the foregoing resolutions into effect.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Asa Mann
W^m^ H Ireland
Samuel St. John

Which was approved the resolutions adopted and the Street Commissioner presented Ordinances agreably thereto which were passed.

The Same Committee on the petition that [250] Bank St be regulated from Hudson St to the River presented the following report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry

persons at Greenwich village requesting that Bank Street may be regulated from Hudson St. to the River

Report

That on investigation it appears that only one part of Bank Street Viz[t] from Hudson St to Greenwich Street has been Ceded to this Corporation as a public Street the remainder is still in possession of the original proprietor of the ground (Abijah Hammond) and that it is not practicable to regulate that part ceded so as to be of any advantage to the petitioners they therefore offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
W[m] H Ireland
Samuel St. John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[251] The Same Committee on the memorial of Morgan Lewis & others relative to Avenue A. B. C & D reported Viz[t] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of Morgan Lewis & others relative to Avenues A, B, C, & D, the Market place and gores of Ground reserved by the Commissioners for laying out the City & County of New York into Streets And Avenues.

Report. that they have duly considered the request of the Memorialists and are of the opinion that it would be improper to make any alterations in the plan of the aforesaid Commissioners unless urgent necessity should require it for the public convenience, and in the case now under consideration your committee do not perceive that any public good will result. & that altho a few individuals may in their estimation be benefitted a much greater number would be injured as far as it relates to the Shutting up or doing away the gores called the children of necessity your committee therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners.

Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
(Signed) Asa Mann
W[m] H Ireland
Samuel St John

[252] Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred a Law to Amend A Law to regulate the Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York reported as follows

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred A Law (heretofore presented) to the board by the late Committee on Public offices.) entitled A Law to amend a Law to regulate the Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York

Report. That they have had the Subject under consideration and after duly examining the Same have made such alterations & provisions as to them appeared most wholesome and proper and herewith respectfully submit for the consideration of the board a draft of the same as prepared by the attorney.

(Signed) Wm H Ireland
James Hall
Asa Mann
Shivers Parker
E W King

Which was approved and the law reported by them passed under the said title

[253] The Market Committee to whom was referred the several petitions of Wm Berdon Godfrey Klinch & Stephen Hilleker reported Vizt

The Market Committee to whom was referred the petitions of Wm Berdon Godfrey Klinch & Stephen Hilliker for licenses as butchers Report.

That the Petitioners have rented Butchers Stands & paid the rent therefor your commtee recommend that they be licensed for the Same and beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved, that William Berdon be licensed for Stand No 7 Centre market Godfrey Klinch for Stand No 37 Catherine market & Stephen Hilliker for Stand No 5 Essex Market.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Shivers Parker
Thomas Bolton
John Webb
Samuel St John
David Marsh.

Which was approved and the resolutions adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of W^m^ Sheperd [254] Praying further time for payment of an Assessm^t^ reported as follows

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William Shepperd praying for an extension of time to pay an Assessment imposed on him for regulating & paving the Street in front of his property Report

That as the Petitioner asks an extension only to the 20^th^ of April and having assigned sufficient reasons to your Committee to convince them that his request is reasonable Respectfully offer the following resolution *resolution*

Resolved that the Collector refrain from Collecting the Assessment imposed on W^m^ Sheperd until the 20^th^ of April next when he is to pay the said Assessm^t^ with interest

(Signed) W^m^ Thorn
George Zabriskie
Henry J Wyckoff
George S Doughty

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of [255] John & Nicolas Haight, praying to be relieved from taxes imposed on their Manufacturing Establishment presented a report in their favor which was read and the Consideration thereof postponed

The Same Committee on the petition of Rufus S Bergan Peter Alison Daniel E Tylee & David I Fowler praying relief from personal taxes assessed on them reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petitions of Rufus S Bergen Peter Allison Daniel E Tylee & David I Fowler praying to be relieved from the payment of personal tax.

Report.

That the Assessors of their respective wards have given each of them Certificates which are annexed to their petitions in which they set forth that the request of the Petitioners are reasonable your Committee are of opinion that relief ought to be granted & Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collectors of the wards in Which Rufus Bergen Peter Allison Daniel E Tylee & David I Fowler are assessed for [256] Personal Property refrain from collecting the same from the

above named persons and return the same in the list of Errors & Insolvencies of their respective wards

Signed Wm Thorn
George Zabriskie
Henry J Wyckoff
George S Doughty.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

Ald Mann agreably to notice at last meeting moved to reconsider the vote taken on the Law establishing a new mode of Collecting taxes which motion was agreed to Ald Mann then moved to postpone the further consideration until the first meeting in July next which was negatived It was then moved to lay the same on the table which was agreed to

A motion was then made to reconsider the last vote which was agreed to .

Ald Hall then moved that the Bill be so amended as that the General Collector Should be elected by the People & that the Per Centage in case of Non Payment should not exceed 14 per cent per annum Whereupon it was moved that the Law & Amendment lie on the table which [257] was carried in the affirmative

Mr Ireland presented the following resolution

Resolved that this Board ought to have the right of regulating the compensation to be allowed the Several Collectors of taxes in the City of New York and that the Mayor be requested to inform our delegation at Albany of the resolution—A Motion was made to refer the same to the Finance Committee which was negatived A Motion was then made to lay the same on the table

The Board being equally divided His Honor the Mayor gave the casting Vote in the Negative. Ald Mann then moved to reject the Resolution which was Negatived It was then moved to refer the same to the Commee on Public Offices which was carried in the Affirmative A Motion was then made that authority be given to send the resolution to the members from the City during the recess of the Board The Question being taken thereon & a Division having been called by Ald Mann The members voted as follows.

Negative Mr Recorder Ald Wyckoff King McQueen Mann Taylor Dyckman Messrs Bolton St John Thorn Marsh Doughty Downing 13.

Affirmative Ald Hall Zabriskie Mr Ireland Cowdrey Webb Parker 6

So it passed in the negative.

[258] The Law respecting Firemen & Fires presented at last meeting by the Committee on the Fire Department & laid on the table was now called up, read by Paragraphs & Passed under the title of, "A Law respecting Fires and Firemen

The following resolution was presented & adopted Resolved that the room now occupied by the Justices Court of the 7 & 10th wards be rented for the ensuing year for the accommodation of said Court at the rent of $100 per annum payable quarterly.

The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 17 Feb	$485.38
Received for tax 1, 2, 3, 6, 7. Wards	10950.
" Rents	5202.
" Streets	2574.74
" Wells & Cisterns	347.11
" Mayoralty fees	84.
City Prison fees	75.
	$19718.23

61 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	$813.75
[259] Leek & Walton Watch 2nd District	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d	624.75
Talman J Waters Clk Compr's offices 1 Qr Salary & expences	225.
Geo Cumming City Inspector 1 Qr do	200.
Thomas Franklin Chief Engineer do	125.
Ogden Edwards Counsel do	100.
B Skaats Keeper City Hall do	100.
Samuel Hutchings St. Inspector 1. mo 1st int	49.
Jonathan Pinckney do "	49.
Abraham Ackerman do "	49.
Wm J Waldron Assistant City Inspr	42.
Obadiah Ayres do do	42.
Astin & Cochrane Messengers	48.
Andrew McCready keeper of Park	31.75
Chas Gilman do Battery	31.50
Daniel H Magee do Potters field	35.
B Skaats keeper of City Hall expenses for Corpn	160.60
Geo. Mills Assistant Board of Health 1 mo	42.
Benjamin Hicks do do "	42.
Richard Smith Clk Washington market 1 mo	54.
Isaac Asten Sweeper Fulton " "	52.59
John Bremner Clk Catharine " "	52.
Peter Amerman Clk 6 markets " "	44.51
Ezra Frost do Fulton " "	41.66
George Duryea do Franklin " "	35.
G Snethen Superints lights lamps "	570.01
Robert Provoost Reps lamps " "	83.06

[260] *Saline* [Salem] Wines builds Mud Scow by Contract.....	$502.
Richard Hatfield Clk of Sessions 1 Qr Salary.....	500.
Richard Hatfield do to pay Witnesses.....	16.
B Skaats Crier of Court 1 Qr "	25.
Moses Cunningham Justice 5 & 8th ward Court 1 mo.....	133.33
Joshua L Pell Clk Court 1, 2, 3 wards do	62.50
James Hopson Special Justice 1 Q Salary.....	187.50
Josiah Hedden do do "	187.50
Henry Abell do do "	187.50
George B Rapalye Clk Police.....	187.50
R Stephens Assist do "	200.
J Hays officers Extra Services Police.....	237.41
J Hays & do conveys persons to Penitentry.....	49.
Geo B Raymond & do Conveying do to C Prison.....	137.
H Smith act regs & pavs Prince St fro B W to Mcdougl.....	1000.
C Mooney do, do, do Mercer fro Howard to Prince.....	600.
H Cochrane " " Stanton fr Ludlow to Ridge.....	500.
C Mooney " Laurence fr Spring to Prince.....	280.
Tucker & Woodruff act buils Sewer in Thompson St.....	400.
H Weeks act buils Cistern Broome St Central Church.....	350.
J Price act builds Sewer in Fly Market St.....	300.
J Mehan act regs & pavs Mercer fr Prince to Bleecker St.....	300.
J Pinkerton Act pavs side walks in Allen St fr Grand to Stanton....	280.
H Smith Act regs & pavs Fly markt St. fr Pearl to South.....	200.
M. Tally do do Clark St fro Broome to Spring.....	130.
J Culbert bal regs & pavs Courtlandt Alley fr Franklin to White St..	162.90
J Baily do do Essex fr Broome to Delancy St.....	109.60
Caleb Felsh bal regulating Pitt St.....	20.79
[261] Thomas Lovett act filling at Battery.....	2500.
J. P Roome Supt Repairs for Alms House departt.....	101.50
Jacob P Roome do for Repairs.....	43.50
Treasurer Humane Society donation granted 17.....	200.
Arthur Burtis Supt Alms House.....	5000.
	$19429.53
Balance.....	$288.70

Board adjourned

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[263] Special Meeting In Common Council March 10th 1823.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
James Hall	Wm H Ireland
George Zabriskie	Samuel Cowdrey
Robert McQueen	John Webb
Jacob B Taylor	Shivers Parker
Jacobus Dyckman	David Marsh
	George S Doughty
	George Downing

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with

A Petition of Hickson Wilson was received stating that he built by Contract for the Corporation the Watch House in Wooster Street that he has Sustained considerable loss. by the Contract & praying of the Corporation some relief which being read was referred to the Finance Commee

A Petition of Sundry Owners & Lessees of Property [264] in Division Street remonstrating against the granting the Petition of Henry Rutgers & others so far as Relates to the extension of Pike Street beyond its present limits was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition for a Well & Pump at the Corner of Amity & Wooster Street.

A Petition for a Well and Pump corner of Grand St & Broadway, &c.

A Petition for a Well & Pump Corner of Bleecker St. & Broadway were read & referred to the Ald & Assistant of the 8th ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition from Samuel Delamater & other Citizens complaining of the practice of persons going about the City & entering houses under pretext of purchasing Ashes & Soap fat thereby exposing the Citizens to Petty thefts & great trouble & inconvenience & praying A Law may be passed compelling persons pursuing such business to take out licenses give security for good behaviour & to be compelled to have weights & Scales regulated by the City Sealer—Which being [265] read was referred to the Committee on Public offices

A Petition was received from Gabriel Hatfield for appointment as Foreman of City Watch. A Similar Petition from Joseph H

Osborne Also from Daniel Fisher. Abraham Blauvelt & Uriah Rider were severally read and referred to the Watch Committee

A Petition from Abel Sammis lessee of Hell gate Ferry was received stating that his lease expires on 1st of May next & praying a renewal for 21 years offering to pay a rent of $100 per annum on Corporation making the Road, necessary Wharves & Bulkhead or that on giving him a lease for that period he will build the boats & make the roads & necessary wharves on the Corporations paying him at the end of the term 50 per cent *o*for the then value of the same Which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Joshua Humphreys for appointment of Measurer was read & referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition from Mrs Coles & others owners and lessees of Lots [266] of that part of Henry Street between Catharine & Market Street was read Stating that they have received notice from the Corporat[n] to remove their Houses & praying they may be permitted to remain until the other leases on said Street Expire was read referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Sarah Owens Widow of Henry Owens Butcher deceased praying she may be permitted to hold the Stall N° 49 Washington Market lately held by her husband on her paying the rent for the Same was referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition that Provoost St. may be named Franklin St. or some other name throughout the whole length of the Street was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Abel W. Hardenbrook for Appointment of Sealer of Weights & Measures in Case of a Vacancy in said office was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Petition of Joseph Tucker for permission [267] to erect a Lime House at N° 134 Flymarket St & at Corner of Front St & Cuylers alley was referred to the Street Commissioner with authority

A Pet. of Lieut. James Monroe of U. S. Army Stating that stationed on duty at this place he was desirous of leasing the triangular piece of ground in front of the U S Arsenal which being read was referred to the Finance Comm[ee]

The Street Commissioner presented a report stating that a part of the Minetto Sewer had been carried away by the late rains to a very considerable extent & required reparation that would probably amount to near $500 & recommended that an ordinance should be passed for said Repairs, which was read & referred to the Canal Committee.

A Memorial was received from Henry Rutgers Esq[r] Stating that on the 1[st] of May 1817 a grant was made to him by the Corp[n] of a Water lot bounded Northerly by South side of Water Street Southerly by the Northerly side of South St Easterly by the West side of Clinton Street & Westerly by [268] *by* the East side of Rutgers Slip that by said grant Petitioner understood there was granted to him A Right to Wharfage on Jefferson Street that he accordingly leased the Same but the Lessees having refused payment he had prosecuted them before the Marine Court, who gave Judgement against him alledging that by said Grant he was not entitled to Wharfage but that the right remained in the Corporation and the Petitioner respectfully Solicited an explanatory Grant or such relief as might be deemed Proper, which being read was referred to the Finance Committee.

The City Inspector presented Ordinances for correction of sundry Nuisances Viz[t]

The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances

N° 1	A Wright	occupant	20	Cedar St	A Privy
2	H Grady	do	94	Duane St	do
3	J Harrington	do	[1]42	Front "	do
4	*T* [J] Graverend	do	147	" "	"
5	John McComb	do	14[9]	"	do
6.	James Thomas	do	196	Harman "	do
7	[269] Mr Rose	do	204	do	do
8	A Nevin	do	156	Fly market	do
9	S Fowracre	do	162	do	do
10	T Bussing	do	10	Liberty	do
11	A Frost	do	44	Maiden lane	do
12	Ch[s] Swan	do	48	do	do
13	E Baxter	do	78	do	do
14	S Pancoast	do	*19* [90]	do	do
15	R Pegg	do	90	"	"
16	J Harris	do	164	"	"
17	Miss H Cregier	do	24	Nassau	"
18	E Butler	do	159	Pearl	"
19	Jonathan Little	do	216	"	"
20	Mrs A Burr	do	218	"	"
21	Collins & Hannay	do	230	"	"
22	N Sandford	do	*27*	Pine	"
23	S Boyd	do	32	Pine	"
24	S Magee	do	46	do	do
25	Carto*n*[er] & Prentiss	do	69	"	"
26	J P Sargeant	do	83	"	"
27	R Sands	do	38	Read St	"
28	S Dawson	do	8	Rose	"

29	T Hodges	occupant	48	Wall	A Privy
30	Levi Coit	do	50	do	"
31	P S [L] Mills & Co	do	58	do	do
32	T King	do	128	Water	do
33	J Riese	do	120	do	do
34	*[269] L & C Deforest	do	130	do	do
35	Clapp & Eninghor	do	132	do	do
36	Wm Bryce	do	143	do	do
37	Mrs R Bunn	do	60	William	do
38	J G Welch	do	58	do	do
39	R Williams	do	59	do	do
40	R Tanner	do	62	do	do
41	J Inglis	do	72	do	do

Signed Geo Cumming C. I.

Which were passed.

The Mayor Stated that as he presumed there was no longer a necessity for keeping secret the Proceedings had by the Common Council with closed doors on the 17th & 24th of February he proposed that the injunction of secrecy be taken off which was agreed to & the Letters by Genl Ward read on the 17 February & the Report of the Committee read on the 24th instant were now read in the Words following

Albany February 12th 1823

Sir

We have been appointed a Committee by the County of Dutchess Putnam Westchester & the Western Part of Connecticut adjoining those Counties to ask of the Legislature [270] an Act of Incorporation to make a Canal in Sharon in Connecticut, to New York or the tide water of the Hudson River near Croton, We were instructed to solicit pecuniary aid from the Legislature and if that could not be obtained to get an Act to enable a Company to make the Canal with their own funds

The contemplated rout of this Canal is such as to enlist men of influence & wealth in the measure and we think promises much to the Stockholders, Gentleman of wealth & respectability in Connecticut are engaged in it and they proffer in case we go on with this Canal to abandon the Ousatonick Canal lately incorporated and to unite in this This will bring a large district of Country now going to other markets to the City of New York. The Object of our Constituents is to go to the City of New York in preference of the north river near the Mouth of the Croton and for this purpose we are instructed to con-

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

sult & Concert with New York gentlemen how this object can be effected We have conversed with several of the New York delegation & other gentlemen from your city here who unite with us in opinion that it is practicable [271] to make a Canal to your City combining the double object of navigation and supplying the City with water. At the request of several gentlemen from your city we have agreed to suspend our application to the Legislature until you may have the opportunity of taking this subject into consideration If you think the project feasible and find it your interest to unite in this application we are authorised to say that we are ready to join in any proper measures to carry the same into effect & the Bill shall be framed to meet your views & wishes We have exhibited the estimates & some of the Surveys to the New York gentlemen who appeared to feel an interest in it They are at all times open to the inspection of the Public

It may not be improper to state that we have this day seen Col Young the Canal Commissioner who unhesitatingly gave us his opinion that the Canal water will be good for City use by settling and filtering in a Reservoir

We should be pleased to hear from you immediately on this subject directed [272] to us at this place by Genl Ward the Bearer to whom we have fully explained our views. Yours respectfuly

Archibald Campbell
John Radcliff

The Canal will commence at the Ousatonic River 150 miles from N. York and run to Sharon 30 miles Which part from the Ousatonic river to Sharon will be worked by the State At Sharon there is a large pond capable of supplying as large a quantum of water as the Ousatonic which it is connected with at New Milford The next waters are the ten mile river near Sharon & next to ten mile river is the Still Works a large Stream the next is the red mill Stream at the upper part of Dover ten miles from Sharon the next is Quaker hill Stream in the town of Pauling. The next one off of the West Mountain The next arising from a pond in the town of Pawling The next the 2nd Stream from the West mountain All which Streams discharge to the north through the State of Connecticut. The Height of land between these Streams and the head waters of the Croton is 13 feet one inch through a fine piece of Country to [273] cut a Canal in which there is no Stone The distance will not exceed 1½ miles—and the highest part not exceeding 13 feet 1 inch This land 460 ft. above tide water Sharon 480. any part of these Streams can be brought to the Croton

which is 75 miles from New York From this 75 miles you take the Croton at Witlockstore to New Castle the deepest cutting will be 39 ft. but going a short distance round not exceeding 100 yards the Cutting will require only 26 feet & that not more than 1½ miles and its Average not more than 10 or twelve feet. New Castle is miles from N York from which place Mr White has made a Survey for the Corporation It is then proposed to keep the High grounds between the Bronx & Saw Mills Rivers and Cross Harlaem river at Fort Washington This will give a velocity of One Mile an hour There will be from 25 to 30 Locks From Sharon to Mount Pleasant

The expense is estimated distance 71 mile.....	$280.000
For Locks	140.000
To New York is 30 miles more for which the expense will be.....	140000
	$.560000

[274] By bringing it to New York there will be 4 locks less than to Mount Pleasant

From Sharon the 1st 18 miles will cost.....	108685
" the next 22 do do	61.090
" the next 8 do "	26.939
" the next 15 do "	55178
" the next 8 do "	29.163
For Locks	140000
	$421.055

The Special Committee on Supplying the City with good & wholesome water to whom was referred the subject communicated to the Board by General Ward Beg leave to Report.

That they have had a conference with the aforesaid Gentleman & that the following information has been derived from said Conference Vizt That a company has been Chartered in the State of Connecticut for the object of Cutting a Canal from the Housatonic river to the town of Sharon on the Borders of this State That a number of Gentlemen residents of the Counties of Dutchess Putnam and Westchester and of the western parts of Connecticut adjoining this State have it in contemplation to apply to the Legislature now in Session at Albany for an Act of incorporation authorising them to [275] cut a Canal to be connected with the Housatonick Canal at Sharon and to proceed from thence to Mount Pleasant miles from this City or to proceed immediately to this City as circumstances may warrant. That a Committee on this subject who are now at Albany have proposed that the Corporation Shall become interested in this measure in order to the

supplying of this City by means of the Contemplated Canal with an abundance of good and wholesome water and embracing also many other advantages connected with this undertaking and to effect the object in view with more certainty it is proposed that the Common Council use their influence with the Legislature by petition or otherwise to obtain the aforesaid Charter on the Most advantageous terms and conditions; and moreover that they become interested in the project by subscribing for a portion of the Stock to be created The committee have given the subject all the consideration their time & limited information would permit and they have been led to believe that the [276] plan is feasible and if carried into effect will be an important acquisition to this City by adding to the business as well as the comfort of its inhabitants

The importance of bringing an abundant Supply of good and wholesome water into the City has frequently engaged the attention of our enlightened Citizens as well as the Common Council and the only doubts which have arisen on the subject were as to sufficiency of the Sources from which it was to be obtained and the practicability of raising the money necessary to carry it into effect. From the information communicated to your Committee there cannot be a doubt as to the sufficiency of the Sources they are Stated to be ten in Number Viz[t] Housatonick river. A Large Pond at Sharon, ten mile river. Stillwork Stream, Red Mill Stream, Quaker Hill Stream, West mountain Stream, Pauling Pond and a second Stream from West mountain together with the waters of the Croton if deemed necessary It is understood that the whole of these streams are to be made tributary to the Canal & there cannot be a doubt therefore that the [277] Sources are abundant. As it respects the Pecuniary means for effecting this object the Committee beg leave to observe that the debt which has been contracted for the construction of the Northern & Western Canals in this State and the taxes annually raised for the payment of the interest of that debt. & for forwarding the work has been drawn from the inhabitants of the Southern & Middle District in much larger proportions owing to the high value put upon their property than from most other parts of the State altho' they are more remotely interested in the Project than those in the Counties through which the canals take their Course & it is therefore presumed that the State will not hesitate to extend a portion of its Bounty to the furtherance of a project of so much importance to the inhabitants of these districts. The importance to the State also that this City should be continued in health in order to the receipt of the revenue derived from the Sales at auction together

with a market for the produce of the [278] Country. has been thought by your Commee an inducement sufficiently Strong to cause the Legislature to grant pecuniary aid in effecting this important object; and it is therefore proposed that application be made for an Act authorising the Common Council to receive from the sales at Auction in this City not exceeding one half per cent to be added to the duty now collected by the State and to be applied to the purpose of supplying this City with pure and wholesome water for the use of its inhabitants

The Committee in recommending this subject to the Board have no intention to advise that the Corporation shall be committed by any thing they may do in forwarding the contemplated project further than that the Charter shall contain a Provision authorising the Corporation at their discretion to subscribe or not as they may deem expedient, for an amount of the Stock to be designated & also to have such direction of the work as may be consistent with the interest they may have in the project. The Committee however adverting to the benefits that will naturally flow from a measure of so much importance to this Community. To have [279] brought to the City a Stream of Pure Water 20 feet wide by 4 feet deep that shall discharge more than 20 millions of gallons each day in the Year. Calculated for drink and culinary purposes for extinguishing Fires for cleansing our Streets and yards washing our clothes for supplying our extensive marine with this necessary element in its purity and for every other object connected with Health cleanliness & Comfort besides the great advantages in a Commercial point of View by bringing to this Market the produce of a large district of fertile Country is certainly of sufficient importance to induce the Common Council to embrace the opportunity of securing the priviledge offered them even should they never make use of it

The Committee beg leave to propose the following resolutions

Resolved that the Attorney or Counsel of the Board prepare a respectful Memorial to the Legislature praying that a Charter may be granted for the aforesaid Canal conditioned that the said Canal may terminate either at Mount Pleasant in the County of Westchester [280] or at such place on the Island of New York as may be determined & agreed upon by the directors of the said Corporation and the Common Council of this City.

Resolved that the said Charter also contain a Provision authorising the Common Council in their discretion to subscribe for such an amount of the Stock of said Company as they may deem expedient in order to the extending of said Canal for the City of New York Provided

such Subscription be made & effected within three years from the passage of the Act of Incorporation

Resolved that the draft of a Bill be prepared to accompany said memorial authorising the Common Council to levy a duty not exceeding half per cent on the Sales at auction in this City in addition to the duty now paid the State & that said duty be continued for 25 years & be applied to the supplying this City with pure and wholesome water & to no other purpose whatever.

Stephen Allen
S Cowdrey
(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff.

The Counsel thereupon presented the draft of a memorial to the Legislature & a Corresponding [281] Bill to be enacted into a Law under the title of "A Law for Incorporating the Sharon & New York Canal Company which were read & agreed to and were directed to be duly authenticated & transmitted to the Legislature

The Memorial to the Legislature & Corresponding Bill on the subject of the Marine & Justices court. presented on the 17th of Febʸ Last which was laid for consideration was now Called up & read Mr Cowdrey presented a Substitute for the Same the consideration of which was postponed & was directed to be printed for the use of the Members together with the 30. 31. 32ᵈ & 33 Sections of the law presented on the 17th of February.

The Finance Committee on the Petition of Thomas R Smith & J K Townsend Lessees of Public Docks & Slips praying a reduction of the rent to be paid by their Contract reported Vizt The Finance Committee to whom was referred the memorial of Thomas R Smith & John K Townsend Contractors for the Wharfage of the Public docks & Slips for the Past year In which they set forth that [282] they have sustained a very heavy Loss in Consequence of the late recurrence of Yellow Fever By which they have been deprived of the revenue or income of about three months dockage or Slippage Vizt. from 1st of Augᵗ to 1st of Novʳ And praying for such relief as the Common Council may deem expedient to afford them.

Report. that your Committee have attentively considered and investigated the Subject and that they have obtained such information from various Sources relative to the deficiency in the receipts of said memorialists on account of Vessels which have been kept from Coming & lying in the said Docks & Slips & on account of the difficulties thrown in the Way of collecting the Wharfage due to them As fully to satisfy Your Commᵉᵉ that the said Memorialists have been subjected to losses

to a very large amount and which they are illy able to Sustain. After maturely considering all the Circumstances relating to this peculiar Case Your Committee are fully of opinion that it is one which forms a just and proper exception to the general rule by which they have been governed heretofore in their Several reports on applications [283] for reduction & abatement on account of the late Epedemic they therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that the present Lessees of Public Docks and Slips be allowed the Sum of four thousand dollars as an abatement from the amount of their Contract in Consideration of their Severe losses on account of the late Yellow Fever

(Signed) James Hall
George Zabriskie
Samuel Cowdrey
Wm H Ireland
Henry J Wyckoff

Which was approved and (the Blank having been filled with $4000) the resolution adopted

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on a petition of the Inhabitants on the South part of the City complaining of Vessells lying in Coenties Slips & the Masters vending Fish from the said Vessels. Reported as follows

The Committee on wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed petition of a Committee appointed by the inhabitants of the South part of the City setting forth [284] that they are aggrieved in consequence of Coenties Slip being Constantly filled with vessels loaded with fish & other articles contrary to the Spirit of an ordinance of this board and praying for redress.

Report.

That they have given the subject that consideration which its importance and magnitude demanded that they find on examination that the present ordinance touching the laying and removing of vessels in said Slip is not so framed as to meet & obviate every difficulty Your Committee have therefore agreed on an ordinance which they believe will remedy the evil complained of by the petitioners which ordinance (as prepared by the Attorney) is herewith respectfully presented for the consideration of the Board.

Signed Wm H Ireland
James Hall
Shivers Parker
E W King

Which was approved the resolution adopted & the Law proposed by them was passed under the title of " A Law to Amend a Law entitled A Law to regulate the lying of vessels at the [285] Public Wharves. and in the Slips & to regulate the rates of Wharfage

Mr Ireland presented the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that his Honor The Mayor be requested to communicate to the delegat[n] at Albany that this Board are desirous of having the following Proviso added to the Law authorising the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York to raise money by tax Viz[t] Provided however and be it further enacted that the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City of New York in Common Council convened may in their discretion alter the said allowances to the Collectors and shall & may ordain what compensation shall be returned by them in maner aforesaid

The report of the Committee on Public Offices on the Petition of the Proprietors of the New York Statesman to be employed to publish the Laws and Official Papers of the Common Council presented on the 3[d] of Feb[y] last was called up [286] It recommended in substance that the Sum of $100 now allowed for four papers be discontinued and that the sum of $75 per annum be paid to the Proprietors of each of the Daily Papers making a difference of expence of $200—the question being taken on agreeing to the report of the Committee it passed in the Negative.

Board adjourned

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[288] In Common Council March 17[th] 1823.

Present. The Hon Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq[r] Recorder

Aldermen.	Assistants.
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
———	George H Ireland
———	Samuel Cowdrey
James Hall	John Webb.
George Zabriskie	Shivers Parker
Robert McQueen	W[m] Thorn
Jacob B Taylor	David Marsh
Henry Mead	George S Doughty
———	George Downing

The Minutes of the last regular meeting and of the Special meeting were read and approved

A Petition of Sundry inhabitants residing in Liberty Street to open the Street from their dwellings to the East river to construct a Drain to carry off the water from the Spring in the ground & the Leakage of the Manhattan logs was read & referred to the Canal Committee.

[289] A Petition of the inhabitants owning property in West Street between Fulton & Dey Street praying that the Street in front of their property may be regulated & paved was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition from the owners of Property in Dey St. praying said Street between Washington & West Street may be regulated & paved was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition for a Well and Pump in 4th Street 450 feet from Broadway, (westerly) was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward & Street Commissioner

A Petition of William Allen for appointment to office of Inspector of Firewood was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Thomas Cumming for payment of sum due to him on Contract for regulating & Paving Wooster Street from Spring to near Houston St. was referred to the Finance Committee

A Memorial from a number of Inhabitants [290] of Broadway requesting that the Houses in Broadway may be numbered correctly as far North as Art Street was read and referred to the Superintendant of Repairs With directions to cause the Same to be done

A Petition of John Hunter for permission to remove a frame Building from the 7th to the 10th ward was read & referred to the Ald & Assistant of the 10th ward with authority

A Petition of Robert Arch Deakin for relief from a personal tax was referred to the Comee on Assessments.

A Petition from Sundry Inhabitants of Bayard St. praying that the sink of House No 36 Bayard St. which affects the water of Pump No 4 in Said Street may be removed was referred to the City Inspector.

A petition of Sundry Inhabitants & owners situate in Desbrosses St between Sullivan & Varick St. praying that Grand St may be continued on to Varick St. & the Houses be numbered as in Grand Street was referred to the Street Committee.

[291] A Petition of Patrick Mackie praying for the remission of a penalty incurred for selling liquor without license was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition from the reverend John McVickar for remission of a personal tax assessed on him was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of the Trustees of the 8th presbyterian Church of the City of New York situated at Greenwich praying to be relieved from an Assessment of tax laid upon lots of ground owned by them & connected with their Church building was read & referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of James O Donnel stating that his former petition on subjects of compensatn for draughts & Plans of Fulton market had not been reported on & praying the subject may be referred to another Committee was read & referred to the Market Commee

A Petition of Isaac Brown to be relieved [292] from an undue Assessment of tax on his Personal Property was read & referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition from Sundry Inhabitants praying that the names of Collect & Rhyneder Streets may be changed to that of Centre Street was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of a number of citizens praying that the law lately passed entitled "A Law to amend a law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York may be repealed So far as relates to the rungs of the Cart & the former law on that Subject reenacted was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Joseph Russell for some employment under the Common Council was read and referred to the Committee on Applications.

A Petition that Jay Street be paved from Washington Street to West Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of James Lowere was received [293] stating that in a lease made to him for the ground of the Canal Street Basin (reserving therefrom Canal St.) in pursuance of a resolution in October 1821. which was intended to exempt him from assessments an omission of said Exemption has occurred in said lease & he is therefore improperly subjected to such Assessments & he therefore prays relief Whereupon the Same was referred to the finance Committee

A Petition of Fire Engine Compy No 17 for a new Fire Engine was referred to the Commee on the Fire Department

A Memorial from the Mechanics Society soliciting from the Corporation a donation to aid the Apprentices library was read & referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial was received from Mangle Minthorne stating that on the 28th of Dec 1805 he executed to the Corporation a Deed for a certain piece or parcel of ground in the Seventh Ward distinguished

as Minthurn St being in Breadth 75 feet & extending from the easterly side of the Bowery [294] to the Easterly line of the ground of Petitioner which conveyance was in trust that the same should be laid out as a Public Street & as the said Street has never been laid out & opened & by the Act of the Legislature relative to improvements touching the laying out of Streets and roads in the City of New York passed 3d of April 1807 & by the proceedings under said Act. by the Commissioners for laying out Streets & Roads the said road cannot now be laid out & opened he therefore solicited that the said ground may be reconveyed to him which being read was referred to the St Commrs & Counsel.

A Petition was received from the Butchers of the Franklin Market complaining that the Assessment put on said market is too high & praying the same may be reduced was read & referred to the market Committee.

A Memorial from the inhabitants residing & owners of Property in Pike Banker Lombardy & Market Street was received Stating that they have understood that a petition has [295] been presented for the Repeal of an ordinance directing certain Buildings to be removed and praying that the said Petition may not be granted but the building removed was read. Whereupon it was resolved That the Prayer of said Petition be granted & that the Buildings be removed agreably to the order of the Board.

An account was presented from John L Broome late Clerk of the City & County of New York for services rendered by him under the Act entitled an Act. for Regulating Elections passed April 17th 1822 amounting to $140.2½ which was read and referred to the following Committee Ald King Mr Bolton Cowdrey Mr Recorder.

A Petition from Sundry Inhabitants praying that a Law may be passed to restrain persons from selling Fruit in the Public Streets of the City was referred to the Police Committee

His Honor the Mayor laid before the [296] Board a letter he had received from Robert Wharton Esqr Mayor of the City of Philadelphia transmitting to the Corporation two elegantly bound Copies of the Digest of the laws of Philadelphia Upon a Suggestion of the propriety of returns Copies of the Ordinances of this Corporation to the Mayor of Philadelphia—Ald King observed that as the present Ordinances would expire in the Course of a Year & the Mayor having stated that Several Amendatory laws had been lately passed he thought it might be advisable to direct a revision of our ordinances Whereupon it was Resolved that the Laws & Ordinances of the Board be

revised under the direction of a Committee and that that Committee have authority to employ a Suitable person to prepare a revision of the Ordinances to be Submitted to the Common Council The President appointed the following persons to form the Committee. Alderman King Mr Cowdrey Doughty.

His Honor the Mayor also presented a letter from Joseph Lewis Esq[r] of Philadelphia [297] transmitting for the use of the Corporation the late Report of the Committee for Supplying the City of Philadelphia with water together with documents of proceedings reported in 1818 & 20 which were referred to the Committee of the Board on the Subject of Supplying the City with water.

His Honor the Mayor as President of the Board of Health presented the following Report made in consequence of a reference to the Board by the Common Council, of a resolution presented to them by Mr Cowdrey on the 24[th] of February last.

The President of the Board of Health has been instructed by that Body to make the following communication to the Hon the Common Council

That the enquiry "whether any measures in addition to those they are now pursuing are or will be shortly necessary for guarding & securing the public Health of this City" referred to the Board of Health on the 24[th] day of Feb. last by the Common Council has been duly considered

That the Present Board of Health are [298] duly sensible of the important trust confided to them by the appointing power and are therefore alive to every suggestion calculated to guard and secure the Public Health of this City That the external measures for securing this important object are comprised in the provisions of the revived Health law now under consideration of the Legislature of the State and are eminently calculated to prevent the introduction of Pestilential disease from a foreign Source.

That the internal measures resorted to by the Board are such as are authorised by the Ordinances of the Corporation for the Correction of Nuisances. & that for the purposes of Carrying them into effect the Assistants to the Board of Health have been regularly employed since the early part of December last, in ascertaining their existence & situation & in order to their abatement & removal That in the performance of these duties the said Assistants have Carefully inspected all the West side of the City from Warren St. to the Battery & also all that part which lies on the East side of Broadway as far up as Beekman St. That the number of Premises examined as [299]

aforesaid are 3583. and the number of Ordinances reported to & passed by the Common Council for the Correction of Nuisances are 572. That the Assistants have been directed to proceed in the Inspection of the remaining parts of the City with the utmost dispatch in order that this part of their duty may be brought to a close before the commencement of the warm season of the Year. That the removal of the Filth & Dirt from the Streets has also been a subject of great solicitude with the Board of Health but their authority is so much narrowed by the provisions of the Contracts entered into by the Corporation for its removal that nothing effectual can be produced by any order emanating from them on the Subject and they are enabled therefore only to recommend that the Street Inspectors be directed to report to the Attorney of the Corporation each & every neglect of Duty in this particular whether from the omission of the Contractors or Citizens or either of them that a large portion of the ordinances presented by [300] *by* the City Inspector are founded on the reports of the Assistants of the Board of Health & are principally for the correction of Nuisances arising from Foul sinks & privies in that part of the City inspected

That these ordinances are sometimes evaded or improperly carried into effect through the opposition or reluctance of those on whom they are brought to operate cannot be doubted for it is hard to coerce a man into a measure he deems unecessary or useless or to reconcile the conflicting opinions of those who adhere to opposite theories on the subject of the preservation of Health The accumulation of Filth & Dirt also is so rapid where carelessness prevails as to its timely removal that it is by no means an uncommon occurrence that the premises examined and ordinanced are in a state of Nuisance before the examination of the Whole City is compleated.

It is pretty evident therefore that the Health of the City & the Comfort and enjoyment of its inhabitants so far as internal measures are concerned depend more upon a disposition in the people to Cleanliness and purity than it does on Laws and ordinances [301] And in Order to remind the Citizens of this fact and the necessity of general Cleanliness among all classes so far as the same is practicable the Board of Health have directed their President to issue a circular early in the month of May to be left at each house in the City appealing to the good sense of the inhabitants as to the propriety of their removing from their lots yards and premises every species of filth on the days designated for the purpose by the ordinances of the Corporation and adopting such other precautionary measures for the preservation

of Health as circumstances will permit in order that no act may be neglected which may appear calculated to insure to our citizens this inestimable blessing. And the Board have further instructed their President to request that the following resolutions may be passed by the Common Council

Resolved that it shall be the duty of the Assistants to the City Inspector and the Street Inspectors in conjunction with the Assistants to the Board of Health [302] to serve and deliver the Notices alluded to in the foregoing report at each and every inhabited building in this City to the South of Spring Street on the North River and Delancy Street on the East river & for that purpose the aforesaid officers shall under the direction of the Mayor divide the above designated limits into as many convenient districts as may be, so that each of them shall be accountable for the delivery of the said notices as above directed in one of the Districts

Resolved that it be enjoined & required of the Street Inspectors that they report to the Attorney of the Corporation every person whether he be contractor for the Street manure or Citizen who shall neglect or refuse to comply with the ordinances of the Common Council to regulate the removal of Filth & Dirt from the Streets in the City of New York.

Submitted by order of the Board of Health

(Signed) Stephen Allen
President

Which was approved and directed to be published in the Papers employed by the Corporation

[303] The following were appointed Firemen the Chief Engineer Certifying the Vacancies.

Fire Engine N° 4.

William Micheau Carpenter 54 Ann St. vice George Brady resigned

N° 15.

James B Stuart Accountant 52 Mott Street vice W^m^ S Moore resigned

N° 26.

John Loder Ship Joiner Broome n Suffolk vice Daniel S Woodruff resigned

N° 37.

Joseph Davis Carpenter 36 Suffolk vice Jackson Coleman resigned

N° 40.

John Scott Butcher 71 Forsyth St vice Philip C Ruckle time expired

Patrick McArdel Grocer C. of Broome & Mott vice George C Baker Expelled.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessm[t] for a Well & Pump in Green Street near Grand Street which was confirmed and Noah Jarvis appointed Collector

He also presented a return of Delinquents on the following Assessments Whereupon [304] Warrants were ordered to issue to Morris De Camp Collector.

Viz[t] For a Well and Pump in Desbrosses Street
For do do in Lawrence Street
For do do in Goerck Street

For Paving Prince St. Also for paving Mercer from Howard to Prince St also for paving Lawrence st & for Paving Mercer from Prince to Bleecker Street.

He also presented the Profile of Dover Street confirmed on 27[th] of Dec[r] 1819 with[e] the addition at this time of the line of Regulation which was approved & Confirmed

He also presented the following Ordinances upon the report of the Ald & Assistant of the 8[th] Ward Which were passed & Assessors appointed therein Viz[t]

For a Well and Pump in Bleecker Street between Broad Way & Mercer St. & Isaac Kip John Salisbury & John Bedient were appointed Assessors.

"Also for a Well & Pump in Green St between Houston & Bleecker St & James Bleecker John Salisbury & Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors

"Also for a Well & Pump in Grand St between Broad Way & Mercer St. & Abraham Dally John Bedient & James Bleecker were app[d] Assessors

[305] Also for a Well & Pump in Wooster St near Amity St & John Salisbury James Bleecker & Francis Peckwell were appointed Assessors.

The Attorney presented the following report

The Attorney of the Board represents several cases of Masters of Vessels who did not report their Passengers in time but have since

reported them and paid the Costs that is to say Captains Bunker. Captain Munroe Captain Theobald & Captain Storer These Cases arise under the State law & the penalties in each would exceed $25 But such penalties have always been remitted on a compliance with the requisitions of the Law & payment of the costs

In these instances this having been done a Remission of the penalties is respectfully recommended

(Signed) M Ulshoeffer

Which was approved and the penalties remitted

The City Inspector presented the following report

The City Inspector respectfully reports an ordinance to correct a nuisance at the [306] Corner of Lewis & Stanton Streets owned by Jno R Livingston the corner house adjoining is injured by the Water passing into the Cellar at every rainy period.

Further that the lots on the North West Side of Cannon Street between Rivington & Stanton Streets owned by the Same gentleman were ordinanced last year and not being Complied with the Ordinance was sent for prosecution to the Attorney of the board in December last—Mr Livingston took defence

Further that the lots between Rivington Stanton Lewis & Cannon Streets also owned by Mr Livingston were again ordinanced in Decr last to expire in March but still this ordinance is not Complied with

The reasons that induce the City Inspector to thus report arise from a Conviction that the ponds of Water included in the above named bounds will remain during the ensuing year unless the usual energetic measures be adopted by the board namely that of abating the Nuisances by filling them in under the advice of the Attorney with good earth and holding a lien on the Lots for the expence thereof

(Signed) George Cumming

Whereupon the Ordinance presented directed [307] to John R Livingston was passed & the abatement of a Nuisance as proposed by him was approved.

He also presented the following.

The City Inspector respectfully reports to the Board that two lots situated on the South Side of Rivington Street between Willet & Pitt Street were ordinanced in December last to be corrected by the 1st of March One of the parties is willing to comply with the Ordinance but as Mr Chas Dickenson the reputed agent of the Estate of the

late Isaac Clason declines acting on the other Lot, it is recommended that it be filled in at the public charge and as the Lots lie contiguous will be thereby abated

He further Reports that a nuisance exists at the corner of Stanton & Eldridge Streets on the property of the late Jno. McVickar The agent was ordin[an]ced but has not complied this nuisance adjoins a Slaughter House and will be very offensive in Warm weather it is respectfully submitted that it be filled in and held a lien for the expence of both

(Signed) George Cumming. C. I.

[308] Whereupon he was directed to abate the nuisance as proposed in his report.

The City Inspector also presented the following ordinances for correction of Nuisances Vizt. The City Inspector respectfully reports the following ordinances for *the* correcting nuisances

No 1	John W Taylor	occupant	34	Beaver St.	A. Privy
2	John D Brown	do	39	do	"
3	Henry Dean	"	47	"	"
4	Mrs Stout	"	52	"	"
5	Timothy [Mills]	"	54	"	"
6	Mrs Luff	"	41	do	"
7	John D Brown	"	45	Broad St	"
8	Peter Scoyen	"	49	"	"
9	Mrs M Spencer	"	59	"	"
10	J Vanboskerk	"	58	"	"
10	Wm Lawson	"	55	"	"
12	Geo Cooke	"	63	"	"
13	J Van Cleef	"	75	"	"
14	Geo Bruce	"	81	"	"
15	G V Garretson	"	95	"	"
16	G H Britton	"	96	"	"
17	Wyncoop & Stanton	"	5	Chapel St	"
18	H S Belden	"	44	Coenties Slip	"
19	Benjn Stephens	"	50	Front St	"
20	J Johnson	"	65	do	"
21.	Wm Brown	"	68	do	"
21	[309] *Wm Brown*	*do*	*68*	*do*	"
22	J Phelan	do	74	"	"
23	Mrs Ferris	do	76	"	"
24	P Banner	do	86	"	"
25	E K Van Beuren	do	87	"	"
26	Ogilvie & Gibson	do	96	"	"
27	Wm H Minturn	do	106	"	"
28	Patrick Byrne	do	3	Garden St	"
29	Mrs J Pray	do	8	"	"

30	J McQuin	occupant	527	Greenwich	A. Privy
31	Samuel Lewis	"	18	Jay St	"
32	Samuel Loyd	"	23	Leonard	"
33	Michael Sexton	"	30	Mill St	"
34	Dennis Ward	"	58	Pearl St	"
35	J A Beekman	"	64	do	"
36	George Long	"	71	do	do
37	Jno Greenfield	"	77	do	do
38	A S Noe	"	79	"	"
39	A P Hamlin	"	118	"	"
40	J Steward	"	122	"	"
41	Squire & Silliman	"	126	"	"
42	O Hull	"	144	"	"
43	J P Simpson	"	359	"	"
44	Wm Miller	"	6	Sloat lane	"
45	J Miller	"	43	Stone St	"
46	J Keeler	"	19	South	"
47	J Herriman	"	57	Stone	"
49	[310] Andrew Bolton	do	58	"	"
50	M Elsworth	do	61	"	Do
51	R Carlow	do	10	Wall St	do
52	Benjamin Pike	do	12	do	do
53	L Power	do	20	do	do
54	James Burk	do	22	do	do
55	J R Soper	do	40	Water St	do
56	A McFarlin	do	52	do	do
57	L Evans	do	61	do	do
58	T Barker	do	65	do	do
59	James Weaver	do	67	do	do
60	E Abrams & Co	do	83	do	do
61	J L Dias	do	87	do	do
62	J L James	do	101	do	do
63	G B Miller	do	107	do	do
64	C B Hall	do	5	William	do
65	George Van Nest	do	13	do	do
66	B Galloop	do	19	do	do
67	C T Garnier	do	25	do	do
68	Wm Van Hooke	do	35	do	do
69	Edward Cooke			William c Garden Sts	do
70	E G Smith	Agent		Rhinelanders ally	a Lot
71	Do	Do		do	do
72	John Nicols	Lessee		do	a lot
73	Danl Nolton	do		do	do
74	Benjamin Briggs	do		do	do
75	Wm Ogilvie	Owner		Rivington	do
76	[311] Abra'm Stagg	do		Stanton St	do
77	Peter Ogilvie	do		Willet	do
78	Andrew Morris	do		Prince	do
79	Wm Roe	do		Jay St	do

80	Stephen Thorn	Owner	Willet	a Lot
81	John R Livingston	do	Stanton & Lewis	do

(Signed) George Cumming
City. Inspector

The Street Committee on the petition for Paving a part of Ridge Street reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons praying that a part of Ridge Street may be paved between Stanton & North Street

Report that in their opinion their request is reasonable and ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[312] The Same Committee on the petition for paving the Side Walks on the Southerly Side of Broome Street reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry of the inhabitants of Broome Street praying that the Side walks may be paved from the Bowery to Essex St.

Report. That in the opinion of the Committee the request of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Samuel St John
Wm H Ireland.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition to have Provoost St named Franklin presented a Report in favor of the petition which was read & laid for consideration

The Same Committee on the subject respecting Paving Washington Street from Carlisle St to Beaver lane reported in favor of paving the same [313] to Beaver Street as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Resolution of the Common Council of the 3d of Feb. ulto requesting them to enquire into the Expediency of regulating & Paving Washington Street from Carlisle St. to the Battery

Report. that they have viewed the premises and are of the Opinion that it would add much to the health and Convenience of that vicinity if Washington Street was regulated & Paved particularly that part of it lying between Carlisle St. and Beaver Lane and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that Washington Street be regulated & paved from Carlisle Street to Beaver Lane

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Samuel St John
Wm H Ireland

Which Was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition for regulating & paving McDougall St from [314] Spring to Houston St. reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Grove Wright & others owners of the property on McDougall Street to have that Street regulated and paved from Spring to Houston Street

Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the request of the petitioners be granted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Henry Rutgers & others that Pike St may be widened from Cherry St & extended to Pump & Allen St reported against the prayer of the Petitioners as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Rutgers & others that Pike Street may be widened from Cherry Street & extended to Pump & Allen Streets

Report that they have viewed the premises [315] and as it respects so much of their petition as relates to the extending Pike Street to Pump Street your committee are decidedly of the opinion that the improvement to the property in that vicinity will not justify the expense and damage to the property to be more immediately affected thereby and with respect to that part of their petition which relates to the widening of Pike Street your Committee request time may be given them as it is a subject which requires further deliberation

With respect to the former part of their report they offer the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Samuel St John
David Marsh
Wm H Ireland

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the Petition that Charlton Street be regulated & Paved from Greenwich Street to the Bulkhead reported in favor of the petition as follows

[316] The Street Committee to Whom was referred the petition of Sundry persons praying that Charlton Street may be regulated & paved from Greenwich Street to the Bulk head Report

That they have viewed that Street and are of opinion that it requires the immediate attention of this Board as in consequence of the Street not being paved the late rains have rendered [it] impassable to Carriages without great danger & Hazard and also that large quantities of Earth are carried into the River which will Shoal the Water at the Bulk head so as to render it unnavigable

Your Committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that Charlton Street be regulated & paved an[d] the Side Walks gravelled from Greenwich Street to the Bulk head at West Street

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Samuel St John

Which was approved & the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition that the Pavement of Grand Street be compleated [317] to Sullivan Street & the Side Walks laid from Green to Sullivan St reported as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of George Lorillard & others praying that the pavement of Grand Street may be completed to Sullivan Street and the Side Walks laid from Greene St. to Sullivan Street.

Report. that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners is

reasonable and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the Prayer of the Petitioners be granted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Samuel St John

Which was approved & the resolution adopted

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th Ward & St Commissioner on the petition for a well and pump at the intersection of Broadway & Bleecker Street reported as follows.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th ward & St Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of *of* Wm L Lippencott & others for a Well and Pump at the intersection of [318] Broadway & Bleecker Streets Report that in their opinion the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves St Comr

Which was approved the resolution adopted & the Street Commissioner reported an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th Ward & Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition *of* for a Well and Pump at the intersection of Wooster & Amity Street reported as follows.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th Ward & Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of John Miller & others for a Well & Pump at the intersection of Amity [& Wooster] Streets Report.

that in their Opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
(R Graves) St. Comr

[319] which was approved the resolution adopted and the Street Commissioner presented an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th Ward & Street Commissioner on the Petition for a Well & Pump in Green St. between Houston & Bleecker St. reported as follows.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the petition of George Lorillard & others for a well and Pump in Greene St between Houston & Bleecker St

Report, that in their opinion the prayer of the Petitioner ought to be granted & respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves

Which was approved the resolution adopted and the St. Comr presented an ordinance agreably thereto which was passed

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th [320] ward & St Commr on the petition for a Well & Pump in Grand Street near Broad Way reported as follows

The Alderman & Assistant of the 8th ward & St Commr to whom was referred the petition [of] Stephen B Munn & others for a Well and Pump in Grand Street near Broadway

Report

That they can see no objections to the granting the prayer of the Petitioners and therefore recommend the following resolution

Resolved that *that* the prayer of the Petitioners be granted.

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R Graves Street Commr

Which was approved the resolution adopted & the Street Commissioner presented an ordinance therefor which was passed.

The Finance Committee on the petition of Thomas L Ogden for a Water Grant in front of his property on the East River reported as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Application of Thomas L Ogden [321] for a Water Grant in front of his property on the East River between 5th and 7th Sts

Report

that, on examining the situation of Mr Ogdens property the Committee are of opinion that it will be conducive to the Public interest to make and execute the grant applied for by Mr Ogden on the usual terms they therefore recommend the following resolution.

Resolved. that a Water Grant be executed to Thomas L Ogden of so many feet in front of his land on the East River between 5th & 7th

Streets as are designated on the map accompanying his application at such rates of Quit rent or nearly the Same as were affixed to a grant lately made Abijah Hammond adjoining said premises

(Signed) James Hall
Wm H Ireland
S Cowdrey
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

[322] Mr Ireland presented the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be and they are hereby authorised to dispose of the Old Mud Machine.

The Bill proposed by Mr Cowdrey as a Substitute for the [one] respecting the Marine Court which was laid for consideration was called up and after considerable discussion the Same was agreed to under the title of " An Act to amend an act entitled An Act to reduce the Several laws relating particularly to New York into one act so far as it relates to the Marine Court of the City of New York & assistant Justices court. & the Attorney was directed to have the Same engrossed and the Mayor was directed to have the same transmitted together with the Memorial during the recess of the Board to the Legislature.

The Report of the Committee on Assessments on the Pet. of J & N Haight which was laid for consideration was called up and after some discussion was referred to A Special Comee consisting of Mr Doughty Ald Hall and Mr Cowdrey

[323] The Mayor Stated that this was the period at which the proposals for leasing the Public Docks & Slips for the ensuing year were to be presented to the Board the Lobby was cleared & the

Doors closed

The Comptroller presented the sealed Proposals for Renting the Public Docks & Slips for one year from the 1st of May next. which had been presented to him when on opening the same it appeared that Thomas R Smith had offered for a lease of the Public Docks & Slips for one year from the first day of May next the sum of Thirty one thousand Eight hundred & Fifty dollars and offered as Sureties for the faithful performance of his contract Samuel Dayton Isaac Frost Henry Eckford Wm Thorn & Nehemiah Allen Whereupon it was resolved that the offer of said Thomas R Smith be accepted and that

upon his giving such Security as shall be approved by the Mayor and a Majority of the Finance Committee that a Lease be given to him therefor and that the Counsel be thereupon instructed to prepare the necessary papers.

[324] The Comptroller reported

Balance in the treasury 3d inst	288.70
Received for tax 4, 5, 8, wards	12000.
Streets	4591.88
	$16880.58

23 Accounts Audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st District	813.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd "	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d "	645.75
Stephen Allen Esqr Mayor 1 Qr Salary	750.
Lang Turner & Co. Subscription One Year 7th inst	100.
Editor of American do 6 mo	50.
Editor of Evening Post advertising	3.74
Daniel D Arden 25 reports of Philadelphia watering commee	9.63
H Maxwell distt attorney 1 Q Salary 16 Inst	750.
Ebenezer Burling Clk of Justices Court 5, 8, wds do	62.50
Haydock & Jenkins 9 Casks of Oil	458.06
H Weeks act. builds Cisterns in Broome St at Central Church	200.
H Weeks inspects paving Sundry intersections	128.86
James Rile bal pavs grand St. fr Forsyth to Ludlow	47.93
George Lovett Corporation proportion ⅓ building Bulkhead at Fly market	687.37
H Smith do do paving	133.73
Thomas Cummings do do filling in	38.37
E. B. Clayton prints & prepas maps Canal St Sewer	92.50
N Jarvis Comms on interest Collected on Assessments	73.96
Jacob P Roome Supt of Repairs for Fire Dept	400.
[325] Jacob P Roome Supt Repairs for Repairs	476.
J P Roome do Lamp Dept	50.
Mech[an]ics Bank Bond & interest	10128.33
	16746.23
Balance	$134.35

Board adjourned

[326] In Common Council March 31st 1823.

Present. The Hon. Stephen Allen Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Henry J Wyckoff	Thomas Bolton
Elisha W King	Samuel St John
James Hall	William H Ireland
George Zabriskie	Samuel Cowdrey
Robert McQueen	John Webb
Jacob B Taylor	Shivers Parker
Jacobus Dyckman	Wm Thorn
Henry Mead	David Marsh
	George Downing.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read & approved

A Petition of Garrit Luyster to be appointed one of the Keepers of the Penitentiary & similar petitions from Frederick Vogel & Wiley C Thomas were referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House.

A Petition of Abraham Banta to be appd an inspector of Fire Wood was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

[327] A Petition from the Foreman of Fire engine Company's No 29. & 34 to have the side walks in Christopher & Hudson Streets in front of the Engine houses paved was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition that North Street may be extended across the Bowery & Houston Street extended across Broad Way to North St. was read & referred to the Street Commee

A Petition of Jonathan Skillman holding Stall No 87 Fulton Market praying a grant of Stall No 29 in same market when he will relinquish the former was read and referred to the Market Commee

A Petition of Joseph Russell for appointmt of Street Inspector was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Isaac Bulkly for appointmt of Measurer of Grain was referred to the Commee on Applications

A Petition that the side walks in Orchard Street may be paved from Grand St to [328] North St. was referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Jane Barns for relief from a penalty for selling liquor without a license was referred to the Police Committee

A Petition that the Side walks in Suffolk Street be paved between Grand & Broome Street was referred to the Street Commee

A Petition of Ezekiel G Smith as agent for the Estate of Philip

Rhinelander dec[d] stating that an ordinance has been passed by the C. Council. on the 17[th] instant directing the Lots forming a passage way & called Rhinelanders Alley shou'd be filled in & Paved but as the ground is private property & has not been ceded to the Corporation the petitioner prays that the ordinance respecting the paving the same may be repealed. which being read was referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of Bartholemew Smith to be appointed keeper of Potters-field was referred to the Comm[ee]

A Petition of the Fishermen attending the Washington market praying that the Selling of live fish from [329] Carts in the Streets may be prohibited was read & referred to the Market Comm[ee]

A Petition of Joshua Humphreys to be appointed an inspector of firewood was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips

A Petition of Thomas Orr Lessee under the Corporation of a Lot in Thomas Street praying to be permitted to assign the lease of the Same to Elizabeth Robson were read & referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition from the College of Physicians & Surgeons. to be relieved from an assessment of tax upon their property N° 8 Park place was read and referred to the Committee on Assessm[s]

A Petition of Maria Whaites to be relieved from an assessment for a Well and pump in the Bowery she being poor and unable to pay the Same was referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial from the New York gas light Company lately incorporated for the [330] purpose of lighting the Buildings &c in the City of New York with Gas. requesting permission to use such of the Public Streets & lanes as may be necessary in their Operations to lay Pipes for conducting the Gas was read & referred to the Street Comm[ee]

A Petition for a Well and Pump at the corner of Greene & Amity Streets was referred to Ald & Assistant of the Ward & Street Commissioner

A petition that Bleecker Street be Regulated and paved from Broad Way to Carmine Street was referred to the St[t] Comm[ee]

A Petition that Lewis Street may be paved from Grand St. to 4[th] Street was referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Chesterman for permission to build a Vault in Nassau Street was read & Referred to the Ald[n] & Assistant of Ward & S[t] Commissioner

A Petition of Z Voorhis to be permitted to construct a Cistern in Nassau Street was ref[d] to the Alderman & Assistant of the ward with the Street Commissioner

A Pet of Joseph Depew for permission [331] to build a Vault in Broadway between Grand Street & Broome Street and Also one in Franklin Street was referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Joseph Moore to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was referred to the Committee on Applications

A Request of John W Wyman that his accounts which he had rendered to the Corporation may be returned him was read And it was Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to give said accounts to Mr Wyman on condition that they be again delivered to him by Mr Wyman and that he the Comptroller take the proper receipts therefor

A Memorial was received from a number of inhabitants of Lumber Rector Greenwich Street & Broad Way in the Vicinity of trinity church stating that Vaults for the interment of the dead were erecting in the yard of Trinity church [332] by order of the Vestry of said church said Memorial remonstrating against the same as offensive & injurious to the health of the inhabitants was read, & laid on the table to be taken up when the law prohibiting Interments in the City was under considerat^{n} When the said law was under discussion it was called up & read.

A Memorial was received from Higgins, Meserole & Co. Contractors for Street Manure stating their Willingness to comply with the Law for the removal of the dirt from the Streets but that for the want of a place of Deposite they are unable to comply with the Same & requesting one may be assigned to them was read. Ald Hall presented a Resolution to repeal A part of the 16 Section of the Law for the removal of filth & Dirt from the Street which prohibits depositing Manure South of a certain line & giving the Contractors permission under direction of the Street Comm^{r} to deposite Manure South of that line between the 1st of November & 1st of May in any year Provided they shall at all times during the year be compelled to remove dirt of every description from the Streets [333] & lanes. After some discussion the petition and resolution were referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition from a number of Owners of Hackney carriages was received stating that the establishment of Stands on the Streets was attended with great injury to themselves and the Public as their Drivers were taken from the observation of their employer and being collected together in one place they corrupted each other & praying the Law establishing stands for Hackney coaches may be repealed and

that the owners of Hackney Carriages may be compelled by Law to have a Carriage at their Stable harnessed & ready for employ & with such other regulations as may be thought proper which being read was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of W^m^ Scott to be licensed as a Cartman was read & referred to his honour the Mayor.

A Petition of Levi Guernsey for remission of a penalty for removing a House through the St. without permission therfor was ref^d^ to the Police Comm^ee^

[334] A Petition of Charles Town & others that Lots between Broome Street & Grand Street on the East Side of Broadway may be enclosed within a fence was read & referred to the City Insp^r^

A Petition of Samuel Sparks for permission to take up the side walks in front of his house in Duane St to enable him with more convenience to dig out his Cellar was read & referred to the Ald & Assistant of 5^th^ Ward & Street Commissioner with authority.

A Petition of Matthew Harpel for Stall N° 31 Washington Market at present occupied by Jesse J Spicer who is willing to relinquish the Same was read & referred to the Market Committee.

A Report was received from the treasurer of the City Dispensary of the trustees of said institution on the Subject of Vaccination by which it appeared that upwards of Eight hundred persons have been vaccinated by the Physicians of that institution during the past year— They solicit the Annual appropriation of Six hundred dollars to the Institution Whereupon the Same was referred to the Finance Committee.

[335] The following were appointed firemen the Chief Engineer certifying the vacancies

Fire Engine N° 2.

John G. C. Lord Cabinet maker 28 Cheapside St vice Abraham Anderson resigned (time out)

N° 8.

George Went. Comedian 83 Chatham St vice Jacob Youngs resigned

Henry Riley instrument maker 29 Chatham st vice Robert Thompson. time out.

George S Marschalk Accountant 131 Chatham vice Joseph Davis Resigned.

N° 13.

Frederick *Kinsamuel* [Kinsamer] Hatter 48 Chatham vice John C Hegeman 174 Water St joined another [company]

N° 20.

Solomon Scudder Mason 22 Lispenard St. vice John Westervelt resigned

N° 25.

Thomas S Underhill accountant 300 Broome st vice John E Cammeyer resigned

N° 34

Lawrence Sinclair Book binder Christopher St vice John Traphagen time expired

Dennis Bennett Cabinet maker Arden St vice John Ryder resigned dec[d]

[336] The Street Commissioner presented the following ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed therein Vizt.

For paving Grand Street from the present pavemt to Sullivan Street & the Side Walks to be laid from greene to Sullivan Street & James [Bleecker] John Brower & John Bedient were appointed Assessors.

Also for regulating & paving Charlton Street from Greenwich to the Bulkhead at West Street and John Targee Cary Dunn Jun[r] & Benjamin Prince were appointed Assessors.

Also for paving McDougal Street from Spring to Houston St. & John Salisbury Abraham Dally & Francis Peckwell were appointed Assessors

Also for regulating & paving Washington St. from Carlisle st to Beaver lane & James Bleecker Benjamin Prince and [John Bedient were appointed Assessors]

Also for regulating & paving Ridge Street from Stanton St. 100 feet towards North St. & Benjamin Prince Abraham Dally & John Brower were appointed Assessors.

Also for paving the side walks on the Southerly [337] side of Broome Street from the Bowery to essex Street & John Bedient John Targee & Francis Peckwell were appointed assessors.

Also on the Report of the Street Committee an ordinance for regulating & paving West. st. from Fulton to Dey St. and John Salisbury Cary Dunn Jun[r] & Isaac Kip were app[d] Assessors.

Also for Regulating & paving Dey Street from Washington St to

the Bulkhead & John Salisbury Cary Dunn Junr & Isaac Kip were appointed Assessors.

He Also presented a return of Delinquents on the following Assessments & warrants were ordered to Noah Jarvis to collect the Same

For building a Sewer in Fly market Street

For Paving Fly market Street

For Paving Elm Street from Broome to Spring St

For Paving Green Street from Broome to Spring St

For a Well and Pump in Mercer near Spring St

For do " do in do near Houston St

For a Well and Pump in the Bowery between Prince & Bleecker Streets

[338] The City Inspector on the Petition respecting a Sink in Bayard Street reported as follows.

The City Inspector respectfully reports on the petition of sundry inhabitants respecting an injury to the Water at a Pump At No 36 Bayard Street from a sink in the Neighbourhood He has examined and drank of the water it is tasteless—free from smell and perfectly transparent He also conversed with several of the inhabitants particularly at No 36 Bayard Street the tenant there made no complaint of the water tho in the daily use of it and even some who signed the petition considered the water good; tis true there is a sink in the front of the lot but in good order with a handsome fence between it and the Street and believing that it cannot filtrate through the Side Walk and that the water is good and wholesome he has declined offering any ordinance for the removal of the Sink.

(Signed) George Cumming C. I.

Which was directed to be filed.

He also presented a Report respecting two Ordinances as follows.

The City Inspector respectfully *reportfully* [339] offers two Ordinances on the professed owners of Amity Lane; so long as the Owners ask an unreasonable price for the lane from the owners of the adjoining lots; it is hopeless to expect an abatement of the nuisance now chiefly confined to the lane itself; and as they ought either to fill in the Nuisance with Earth or sell at a reasonable price to others that would do so: these ordinances are presented with a view to either one or the other object now stated

(Signed) George Cumming. C. I.

Whereupon two ordinances one directed to Stephen N. Bayard & one to Abraham Herring were passed.

He also presented ordinances for correction of sundry Nuisances which were passed.

No	1	A Coster	occupant	No	20	Bancker St.	Privy
	2	G Hankins	Do		20	do	do
	3	C Sloan	"		23	"	"
	4	J H Baker	"		31	"	"
	5	Mary Barnet	"		37	"	"
	6	J Heath	"		48	"	"
	7	Owen Kelly	"		62	"	"
	8	Ml Kenny	"		63	"	"
	9	J Erwin	"		65	"	"
	10	P Phillips	"		66	"	"
	11	[340] J Newton	"		68	"	"
	12	J P Clements	"		70	"	"
	13	S Davis	"		72	"	"
	14	E Runnedge	"		73	"	"
	15	A Hamilton	"		76	"	"
	16	J Strains	"		78	"	"
	17	P Powers	"		79	"	"
	18	M Brady	"		80	"	"
	19	J Kant	"		86	"	"
	20	G Martin	"		87	"	"
	21	E Engles	"		88	"	"
	22	P Walker	"		92	"	"
	23	W McGlauchlin	"		94	"	"
	24	D. O. Harrety	"		95	"	"
	25	R *O* [B] Gordon	"		97	"	"
	26	J Deery	"		98	"	"
	27	J Allen	"		103	"	"
	28	J Taylor	"		105	"	"
	29	J Hunter	"		107	"	"
	30	M Harnet	"		117	"	"
	31	J McGlauchlin	"		118	"	"
	32	J White	"		121	"	"
	33	S Butler	"		125	"	"
	34	Mrs Blakely	"		126	"	"
	35	J Weeks	"		127	"	"
	36	Chas O Connor	"		128	"	"
	37	M Bryant	"		132	"	"
	38	[341] G Kavena[g]h	"		136	"	"
	39	J Lane	do		138	"	"
	40	J Morrison	"		1	Batavia st	"
	41	W Patterson	"		3	do	do
	42	J Frazer	"		8	"	"
	43	P Schuyler	"		21	"	"
	44	C Rodman	"		24	"	"
	45	L Green	"		9	Birmingham	"
	46	T Miller	"		11	do	"
	47	J Martlen	"		17	Bowery	"

Nº 48	H M Carpenter	occupant	19	Bowery	Privy
49	G. Lewis	"	21	"	"
50	M Smith	"	5	Catharine Slip	"
51	J Bremner	"	7	"	"
52	J Hunt	"	20	Catharine St	"
53	D McQuin	"	23	"	"
54	J S Merril	"	31	"	"
55	R Jacobs	"	31½	"	"
56	J Brewer	"	33	"	"
57	A Gibson	"	33½	"	"
58	J Davis	"	35	"	"
59	Wm McKim	"	35½	"	"
60	J Hanan	"	39	"	"
61	N Cohn	"	43	"	"
62	J Redden	"	69	"	"
63	D Banvard	"	81½	"	"
64	C Boyle	"	90	"	"
65	[342] R Boyle	"	94	"	"
66	R Baird	"	96	"	"
67	B Basset	"	9	Cheapside	"
68	G Burridge	"	29½	Cherry	"
69	J W Neale	"	47	"	"
70	J Mosier	"	49	"	"
71	J Chase	"	57	"	"
72	N Clements	"	58	"	"
73	R Freeborn	"	60	"	"
74	C. Joslin	"	66	"	"
75	M Porter	"	71	"	"
76	Wm Tait	"	73	"	"
77	J G Vandenberg	"	80	"	"
78	C Watson	"	81	"	"
79	J James	"	82	"	"
80	E Conway	"	83	"	"
81	A Shonnard	"	84	"	"
82	A ConeWeilly	occupant	85	"	"
83	*J Feveren* [F Favereau]	"	94	"	"
84	J Burk	"	109	"	"
85	Wm Steel	"	113	"	"
86	Samuel C Reid	"	197	"	"
87	J Waterman	"	199	"	"
89	[88] C Taylor	"	66	"	"
90	[89] J Smith	"	13	Dover	"
91	[90] J Dodge	"	27	Essex	"
92	[91] D Thomas	"	59	do	"
[92	P McNamara	"	286	do	"]
93	[343] G L Ulshoeffer	"	290	Front st	"
94	H P Haven	"	291	"	"
95	J Dixon	"	292	"	"
96	M Vail	"	5	Hague	"
97	C Cephas	"	7	"	"

No 98	A Matthews	occupant	6	Henry	Privy
99	P W Teller	"	7	"	"
100	J Wells	"	11	"	"
101	P Carroll	"	13	"	"
102	W Adair	"	24	"	"
103	S Nelson	"	25	"	"
104	W Johnson	"	26	"	"
105	J McGuire	"	28	"	"
106	Mrs Haynes	"	31	"	"
107	J Dougherty	"	34	"	"
108	J O Donnell	"	35	"	"
109	B Dougherty	"	36	"	"
110	Strong & Ballagh	"	39	"	"
111	D. Loines	"	40	"	"
112	T Goodsman		42	"	"
113	T Miller	"	50	"	"
114	Mrs McGahan	"	53	"	"
115	E McCaba	"	55	"	"
116	T Nathaway	"	71	"	"
117	J Chitty	"	74	"	"
118	J McKean	"	79	"	"
119	J Bronson	"	84	"	"
120	[344] Wm Williams	"	85	"	"
121	R Terrell	"	87½	"	"
*123	Mrs Cave	"	91	"	"
124	Mrs Hamilton	"	18	Howard	"
125	E Holmes	"	11	James Slip	"
126	S Jeffers	"	15½	"	"
127	Milbank & Wall		28	James St	"
128	Bethel & Taylo[r]	"	32	"	"
129	M Tyler	"	54	"	"
130	J Tickey	"	60	"	"
131	M Bruce	"	69	"	"
132	J Arnod	"	81	"	"
133	J Haggerdorn	"	83	"	"
134	J Reynolds	"	85	"	"
135	F Seely	"	88	"	"
136	S. Day	"	90	"	"
137	T Hayes	"	91	"	"
138	J Betts	"	95	"	"
139	S Schenck	"	79	John St	"
140	J Wallace	"	15	Lombardy St	"
141	J Lockwood	"	16	"	"
142	A Buddington	"	20	"	"
143	T. Harris	"	23	"	"
144	R Duffy	"	32	"	"
145	W Waterbury	"	73	"	"
146	O Frost	"	77	"	"
147	J Brown	"	79	"	"

*Original document reads 122; a similar error occurs in the next 25 entries.—ED.

No [147	M Bradley	occupant	85	Lombardy St]	Privy
148	[345] H Dunn	"	15	Market st	"
149	J Russell	"	17	" "	"
150	J Evans	"	45	"	"
151	R Forsyth	"	32	"	"
152	Benedict & Woodhull	"	14	Oak	"
153	S Kneeland	"	16	"	"
154	Foster & Vanderbilt	"	17	"	"
155	Th^{s} Tier	"	21	"	"
156	S Forbes	"	23	"	"
157	J Smith	"	25	"	"
158	H Van Pelt	"	27	"	"
159	J Galloway	"	28	"	"
160.	T T Underhill	"	29	"	"
161	M Moore	"	30	"	"
162	P *McErrell* [Mackrill]	"	32	"	"
163	J Perry	"	33	"	"
164	J Nash	"	34	"	"
165	N Fullington	"	35	"	"
166	G W Lobdell	"	36	"	"
167	J Ogden	"	45	"	"
168	S Cocks	"	47	"	"
169	J Mount	"	49	"	"
170	R Sands	"	3	Oliver st.	"
171	J Ryan	"	4	do	"
172	J Levi	"	12	"	"
173	W^{m} Graham	"	28	"	"
174	G Weeks	"	17	"	"
175	[346] J G Cooke	"	27	"	"
176	E Carroll	"	41	"	"
177	P Burns	"	83	Nassau	"
178	W^{m} Falkner	"	388	Pearl	"
179	J Doty	"	390	"	"
180	R Cromwell	"	396	"	"
181	Samuel Brown	"	16	Pike	"
182	B Westminster	"	21	do	"
183	A. Cowan	"	23	"	"
184	W^{m} Dignell	"	27	"	"
185	W^{m} Chevers	"	29	"	"
186	C Savage	"	33	"	"
187	C Ostrand	"	48	"	"
188	N Groesbeck	"	48½	"	"
189	T Sharp	"	52	"	"
190	J Enquest	"	41	Roosevelt	"
191	N Blanch	"	43	"	"
192	J Vansice	"	44	"	"
193	Mrs Gallivan	"	47	"	"
194	W^{m} Cheeseman	"	51	"	"
195	J Losy	"	54	"	"
196	S Johnson	"	57	"	"

N° 197	J Seely	occupant	*58*	[57]	Roosevelt	Privy
198	P Gartland	"	*60*	[58]	"	"
199	M Foster	"	60		"	"
200	S Ward	"	63		"	"
201	Wm Tice	"	64		"	"
202	[347] J Brown	"	65		"	"
203	Mrs Branard	"	67		"	"
204	R Cooke	"	74		"	"
205	F Loretto	"	17	Thomas	st	"
206	T Cullen	"	3	Torbert		"
207	M Conner	"	4	do		"
208	J Farnand	"	5	"		"
209	L Hannah	"	6	"		"
210	J *McGiere* [Wade]		7	"		"
211	*M* [E] Mead	"	12	"		"
212	J *Munckton* [Morton]	"	13	"		"
213	Henry Kelly	"	278	Water		"
214	W Clyde	"	308	"		"
215	Chas Reid	"	312	"		"
216	J Byrne	"	314	"		"
217	J Jaunsey	"	315	"		"
218	T Williams	"	317	"		"
219	B Hewett	"	325	"		"
220	P Reilly	"	328	"		"
221	M Peterson	"	335	"		"
222	T Daycock	"	341	"		"
223	P Danford	"	343	"		"
224	T Toilliers	"	343½	"		"
225	E Hamilton	"	347	"		"
226	J Carroll	"	351	"		"
227	C Barry	"	357	"		"
228	S Kelly	"	359	"		"
229	[348] J Price	"	362	"		"
230	R Taylor	"	364	"		"
231	S R Lacoste	"	366	"		"
232	J H Brown	"	367	"		"
233	D Tracy	"	385	"		"
234	J Haren	"	386	"		"
235	M Kelly	"	387	"		"
236	C. Bleakly	owner	168	Greenwich	st	"
237	J Campfield	occupt		Chapel & Frankn		"
238	Jameson Cox	owner	95	Forsyth		A Lot
239	J Hoffman	"		Columbia		"
240	J Beekman	"		Broadway		"
241	J. Kipp	"		do	"	"
242	J Thompson	"		"	"	"
243	P W Livingston	"		"	"	"
244	A Marx	"		"	"	"
245	J G Coster	"		Mercer	st	"

No 246	A H Lawrence	owner	Broadway	A Lot
247	E Benson	"	"	"
248	A L Stewart	"	Grand st	"
249	Stephen N Bayard	"	Amity lane	"
250	Abraham Herring		"	"
251	A W Clason	"	Rivington	"

(Signed) George Cumming C. I.

The Counsel presented for execution a lease for the Public Docks & Slips for one year from [349] 1st of May next to Thomas R Smith which was directed to be duly executed.

He also presented the grant of a Water lot to Thomas L Ogden agreably to the report of *of* the Finance Committee which was directed to be duly executed.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the board a letter dated 29th inst addressed to him by Elisha Tibbets Stephen Whitney Wm Bayard Thomas R Smith, Henry Eckford Garrit Storm, Edward H Nicoll Jeromus Johnson Chas King Wm W Woolsey, George Griswold Augustus Wynkoop Wm B Astor Peter J Nevens & Ichabod Prall requesting in behalf of a number of Citizens that he would convene a meeting of the Citizens of New York in order to consider & remonstrate against the Bill now pending before the Senate for the Assessment & Collection of taxes A Bill fraught as they believe with the most injurious consequences to this City with whose prosperity that of the State at large as well as of the United States is intimately Connected & they suggested Tuesday next as the day for calling the [350] meeting. The Mayor stated that agreably to the said reqnest he had called a meeting of the Citizens for tuesday evening next in the Sessions court room in the Hall at ½ past 7 o clock

His honor the Recorder presented the following resolution which was unanimously adopted

Resolved, that the Common Council approve of the Call made by his Honor the Mayor upon our fellow Citizens to meet at the City Hall to adopt such measures as may be deemed respectful to the State Legislature to signify the disapprobation of this City to the contemplated tax law.

A Memorial Signed by the Assessors of the several wards of the City remonstrating in very strong terms against the said proposed Bill & requesting the Corporation to forward the same with such additional observations as they should deem necessary to the Legislature was also presented & read.

Mr Cowdrey presented the draft of a Memorial & Remonstrance on the subject from the Common Council to the Senate of [351] the State. before whom said Bill is now pending After some discussion the mem[ls] were referred to the following committee to consider and report a respectful memorial to the Legislature on the subject And it Was Resolved that when the Board adjourn they will adjourn to meet on Wednesday next at 10 o Clock A. M. the Committee appointed were The Recorder Mr Cowdrey Ald Zabriskie Mr Bolton Mr Ireland.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Petition respecting a Sewer in Liberty St. reported as follows.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of James P Vanhorne and others praying permission to Construct a Drain in Liberty Street to carry off the water from their respective Cellars to the River

Report. that in their Opinion the request of the Petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted and accordingly offer the following resolution

[352] Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted.

(Signed) George Downing
John Webb
Robert McQueen

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Applications on the pet[n] of Caleb Coggershall for appointment of City Weigher reported as follows.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Caleb Coggershall to be app[d] a City Weigher Beg leave to

Report.

that the prayer of the Petition be granted and respectfully offer the following resolution.

Resolution [Resolved] that Caleb Coggershall be and is hereby appointed a City Weigher.

(Signed) David Marsh
Jacobus Dyckman

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Fire Engine Comp[y] N° 26 for a new Engine reported as follows

The Committee on the Fire Department to [353] whom was referred the petition of Samuel B. Mesereau & other members of Fire

Company N° 26 praying that the machine to which they are now attached may be otherwise disposed of and that the Company may be furnished with a new one Report.

That they have had the subject referred to them under consideration and have consulted the Superintendant of repairs as to the propriety of selling the Machine he informs your comm^ee that she was built in Philadelphia in the Year 1795 is the oldest belonging to the Fire Department consequently is frequently wanting more or less repairs from the largeness of her size is very inconvenient & heavy & from its peculiar construction cannot be turned in any of our Streets her suctions being at the side makes her inconvenient in this respect, Your Committee are informed that $350 can probably be had for her, under these considerations they are induced to Report in favor of the petitioners and therefore recommend the following resolutions to the consideration of the Board.

[354] Resolved that the Superintendant of repairs be instructed to dispose of Engine N° 26 provided he can obtain $350 with the Old hose which she formerly had reserving the new one which has lately been furnished

(Signed) Henry J Wyckoff
James Hall
Robert McQueen

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Attorney presented the following report upon the case of Dani'l McLaren Jun^r

The Attorney of the Board represents the case of Daniel McLaren Jun^r who was reported for not paying his Wharfage bill to the Lessees of the Wharves & Slips within one month of the time of the demand of the Same. By the Law a sum equal to the amount of the Bill is forfeited by such neglect but Mr McLaren has paid the Contractors the amount of their Bill and they are willing that he should be released from the penalty and the costs also have been paid The penalty would amount to $39 $^{6}/_{100}$. Under the circumstances a remission of the Same is respectfully recommended

(Signed) M. Ulshoeffer

[*356] Which was approved and the fine remitted

The Committee on Assessments on the petition of Sarah Cornell reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the peti-

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

tion of Sarah Cornell praying to be relieved from a part of her tax

Report that from a Certificate of the Assessors of the fifth warde hereunto annexed and from other circumstances which came to the knowledge of your committee they are of opinion that relief ought to be granted [and] beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the fifth Ward receive from Sarah Cornell a personal tax on Five hundred dollars and return the residue in the list of Errors & insolvencies of said ward

(Signed) William Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petition of the Rev[d] John McVickar reported as follows.

[357] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of the Rev[d] John McVickar praying to be relieved from a personal tax

Report.

That they are of opinion that the comes within the meaning of the Act which exempts the personal property of the ministers of the Gospel from taxation & Beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the third Ward refrain from Collecting a personal tax from the Reverend John McVickar and that he return the Same in the list of errors and insolvencies of said Ward

(Signed) W[m] Thorn Ch[a]
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the petitions of George A Thompson, Robert Archdeken and Catharine Borgers reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petitions of George A Thomps[n] Robert Archdeaken & Catharine B Borgers praying to be relieved from the payment of [358] a personal tax

Report that they have had the above cases under consideration and from the Certificates of the Assessors which are hereunto

annexed they are of opinion that relief ought to be granted they beg leave to offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Wards in which the parties reside refrain from Collecting any personal tax from George A Thompson Robert Archdecken & Catharine B Borges and that they return the same in the list of Errors & insolvencies of said Wards

(Signed) Wm Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
Henry Mead.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Same Committee on the petition of William Shaw. to correct an error in an Assessment for paving Prince St reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the petition of Wm Shaw praying to have an allowance [359] on paving Prince Street he having gravelled his walks

Report that the petitioner failed to examine the Assessment while it was open for objections he states he takes no News paper affords no Patronage to the Printer and did not know of it being advertised all which he has no one but himself to blame Your Committee are of opinion that as the Assessment is mostly Collected they ought not to grant him any relief & Beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted.

(Signed) William Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee on the Petition of Isaac Brown and Michael Magrath reported as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the annexed petition of Isaac Brown & Michael Magrath praying for a reduction of the tax assessed [360] on their personal property

Report.

that from the Certificate of the Assessors in the Case of M Megrath and from the Affirmation of Isaac Brown your Committee are of opinion that relief ought to be granted respectfully offer the following resolution

Resolved that the Collector of the Sixth Ward receive a personal tax from Isaac Brown on three thousand dollars & the Collector of

the third ward receive from Michael Megrath on ten thousand dollars and that they return the residue in the list of Errors & insolvencies of said Wards

(Signed) William Thorn
Henry J Wyckoff
George Zabriskie
Henry Mead

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Ald. & Assistant of the 8th ward & Street Commr to whom was referred the petition for a Well and Pump in 4th Street reported as follows.

[361] The Aldermen and Assistant of the Eighth Ward & Street Commr to whom was referred the annexed petition of David S Jones & others for permission to build a well & erect a Pump therein in Fourth Street west of Broadway

Report. that they see no impropriety in granting the prayer of the petitioners and accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Signed Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
R. Graves St Comr

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred a petition that Dey Street be paved between Washington & West Street reported as follows

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Owners of Property on Dey Street from Washington St to West st. praying that, that part of Dey Street may be regulated and paved

Report

that in their opinion the request [362] of the petitioners ought to be granted & therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that the Street Commr have the same carried into effect

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
Dana Marsh
Wm H Ireland
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted & the Street Commr Reported an ordinance therefor which was passed

The Same Committee to whom was referred a petition from a number of inhabitants of Desbrosses St. praying that the name of said Street may be changed to that of Grand St. reported in favor of the petition as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sundry owners of Houses & Lots on that part of Desbrosses Street lying between Thompson St. & Varick St.

Report

that they have had the subject under consideration and are of opinion that [363] their request is reasonable and proper in as much as that part of Desbrosses St is detached from and has no connexion with the Street of the Same name which terminates at Hudson Street two Blocks from Varick Street that the part of the Street between Varick & Thompson Street is a continuation of Grand St. and is naturally connected therewith your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that the name of Grand Street be substituted for Desbrosses St from Thompson to Varick St. and that it be marked and numbered accordingly

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Wm H Ireland
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted.

The Same Committee to whom was referred the petition that West Street be paved between Fulton & Dey Streets reported in favor of the petition as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Owners of Property on West Street between Fulton & Dey Sts. [364] praying that West Street may be regulated & paved

Report. that in their opinion the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted & accordingly offer the following resolution

Resolved that the prayer of the petitioner be granted and that the Street Commr have the same carried into effect

(Signed) Jacob B Taylor
David Marsh
Wm H Ireland
Samuel St John

Which was approved and the resolution adopted & the Street Commr presented an ordinance therefor which was passed

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the petition of the Cartmen and others for repeal of the late ordinance regulating the Sale & Cartage of Firewood reported against the petition as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the annexed petition of Cartmen & others remonstrating against a late Ordinance of this board compelling Cartman who ride Fire Wood to use long rungs and praying for a repeal of the same

[365] Report.

That after having duly enquired into the Subject and attentively examined the prayer of the petitioners they find no solid reasons offered for repealing the law. Tis true however that the memorialists have entered into a long and vague calculat[n] wherein they undertake to show that if the ordinance continues in force the citizens will lose fifty six thousand three hundred & Forty dollars annually But this calculation being predicated more upon supposition than facts your committee cannot for a moment believe it correct on the contrary they are of opinion and this opinion is greatly Strengthed by the information received from a number of the inspectors themselves who State that the Citizens do not suffer by this law However be that as it may It is admitted & well understood by all that the inspectors under the present law are enabled to measure the wood with precision and accuracy and that every purchaser receives what is constituted a just & lawful load. Assuming therefore as facts what is set forth in the petition the only inference to be drawn therefrom is [366] that injustice has heretofore been done to the venders of this Article and if so your committee can see no good reason why it should be continued On the contrary they are decidedly of opinion that the Laws of this Board ought to be so framed as to measure out with equal hand substantial Justice both to Buyer & Seller Believing the present ordinance well calculated to effect this object they are the more solicitous for its continuance and therefore [recommend] the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners

(Signed) W[m] H Ireland
James Hall
E W King
Shivers Parker.

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Street Comm[r] & Counsel to whom was referred a Memorial of Mangle Minthorne praying the Corporation to Reconvey to him a

certain Piece of ground & heretofore conveyed by him for the purpose of a Public Street reported in favour of a reconveyance [367] as follows.

The Street Commissioner & Counsel of the Board to whom was referred the Memorial of Mangle Minthorne Esq^{r} praying that the Corporation would reconvey to him certain land heretofore conveyed by him for the purpose of making a public Street through his land called Minthorne Street Respectfully Report.

That the said street has never yet been opened as a public Street and that the ground lying on both sides of it still belongs to Mr Minthorne and consequently that the right of no other person can be affected by closing it. That part of it lies in third Street as laid out by the Comm^{rs} and that he is willing to convey to the Corp^{n} in consideration of their releasing to him Minthorne Street so much of his land as may be necessary to make third Street through it the undersigned are therefore of opinion that it is expedient and respectfully recommend that the Corporation reconvey all their right to Minthorne Street upon Mr Minthornes conveying to them so much of his land as may be necessary to make Minthorne Street through his premises

[368] respectfully Submitted

(Signed) R Graves st. Com^{r}
Ogden Edwards

Which being read the report was approved & the Reconveyance directed to be made upon the terms & conditions mentioned in said report.

The Special Committee on the communication of the Mayor relative to the Health of the City presented the following for their report.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of his Honor the Mayor relative to the preservation of the Health & cleanliness of the City Beg leave further to Report that they have again had under consideration that part of the communication relative to the interment of the dead within certain limits of the city But from the general excitement & the numerous remonstrances against the Law as formerly reported to the Board your Committee have thought it advisable to Strike out the second section which they presume will remove all objections to its passing into a law The committee therefore respectfully recommend it as amended to the Common Council for their considerat^{n} [369] & concurrence Your Committee beg leave further to report that they have likewise had under con-

sideration that part of the communication relative to sinks & privies and after due attention to the Subject they have prepared a Law to regulate the digging and building of sinks and Privies which they now submit to the Common Council for their consideration & approval.

(Signed) Henry Mead
Henry J Wyckoff
William Thorn
R Riker

The Remonstrance presented this evening against Vaults erecting by Trinity church was called up & read The Board then took into consideration the law respecting interments reported by the Committee. A Motion to postpone the further Consideration was negatived After some discussion & amendments the Law was agreed to & passed in the Words following

A Law respecting the interment of the Dead

Passed March 31st 1823.

Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council Convened. That if any [370] Person or Persons shall after the first day of June next dig or open any grave or cause or procure any grave to be opened in any burying ground cemetery or church yard or in any other part or place in this City which lies to the Southward of a line commencing at the centre of Canal Street on the North River and running through the centre of Canal Street to Sullivan Street thence through Sullivan st. to Grand Street thence through Grand St. to the East river or shall inter or deposit or cause or procure to be interred or deposited in any such grave any dead body every such person shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars

And be it further Ordained that no dead body shall after the first day of June aforesaid be interred or deposited in any vault or tomb south of the aforesaid line under the penalty of Two hundred and fifty dollars for each and every offence.

Ald. Taylor having required that the Ayes & Noes be taken on the passing of the Law The Members voted as follows

[371] Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald. King Hall Zabriskie McQueen Dyckman Mead Mr. St John Ireland Cowdrey Webb Parker Thorn Marsh Downing. 15.

Negative Ald Wyckoff Taylor Mr. Bolton. 3.

The Recorder then presented the following resolution which was referred to the Finance Committee

Resolved that a Special Committee be appointed to Select a Suitable Site for a public Burial Place to be called the City Burying ground & that the said Committee make a particular report to the end that the same may be fully considered & decided upon by this Board.

The Board then took into consideration the Law reported by the Committee respect[g] Sinks & Privies and the same having been read by Paragraphs was passed under the title of. " A Law to regulate the digging & Building of sinks and Privies

A Resolution was presented by the Recorder for the appointment of a committee to enquire [372] into the expediency of making a trial of the Puryfying furnace in puryfying the sewer at the Fly market &c the question being taken on agreeing to the same it passed in the Negative.

Mr Cowdrey gave notice he would at the next meeting move for a reconsideration

Mr Cowdrey presented a resolution on the subject of referring to a Committee an Inquiry into the situation of the Public Property with a view to report whether it would be consistent with the best interests of the City to offer any part of it for sale which being read was at his own request laid on the table.

A Resolution was presented by Alderman Mead as follows.

Resolved that it is proper to publish the proceedings of Corporation in two morning and two evening papers and that the National advocate and mercantile advertiser be the Morning papers & the American & Commercial be the Evening papers employed by the board and no other paper After Some considerable [373] discussion and before a final question was taken a motion to adjourn was made & carried and the Board adjourned to meet on Wednesday next at 10 oclock A. M.

The Comptroller reported.

Balance in the treasury 17th inst	$134.35
Received for tax 1 2 3 4 5 6 Wards	15300.
" Rents	2584.76
Justices Courts	602.72
Wells & Pumps	325.08
Police Office	169.14
Mayoralty fees	81.25
Excise	48.
Fines of Sheriff	5.
	19250.30

39 Act's audited

Leek & Walton Watch 1st district	813.75
Hibberd & Clark do 2nd	645.75
Bleakly & Brower do 3d	645.75
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder 1 Qr Salary 1 april	375.
Wm S Smith Collectr City Revenue 1 Qr 22 mar. & expenses	252.
Samuel Hutchings St Inspr 1 mo 1 april	54.25
Jonn Pinckney do " "	54.25
Abrm Ackerman do " "	54.25
Asten & Cockrane Messengers " "	52.
Wm J Waldron Assistant City Inspr	45.50
Obadiah Ayres do do	45.50
[374] Chas Gilman Keeper of Battery	34.87
Andrew McCready " Park "	34.87
Daniel H Magee do Potters field	38.75
Michael Ulshoeffer drawing laws &c	156.
John Steen 11 maps of the City	22.
J Underhill Carriage hire 25th inst	10.
George Mills Assistant Board of Health 1 mo 1 ap	45.50
Benjamin Hicks do " "	45.50
Isaac Asten Fulton market " "	54.09
George DurYear Clerk of Franklin [Market]	38.75
G Snethen Supt lights lamps	691.33
Robert Provoost reps do	63.07
P Stagg & Associates Commrs fees & expences wids Maiden lane	551.
H Cochrane Act regs & pavs Stanton St fr Ludlow to Willett	300.
J Culbert Act do do Canal. fr Broadway to Collect	300.
C Mooney do do Mercer fr Howard to prince	300.
T Lovett Act regulating Canal	300.
C Mooney act reg. & pav. Laurence fr. Spring st to Livingstons line	250.
R Strong & Associates Commissioners fees and expences widens Bleecker St	176.88
G Tucker altering Culverts Canal st from B[road] W[ay] to Collect.	158.
C Dunn & assocs comms fees & expenses opening Orange st	103.
C Mooney act reg & pav Laurens St from Spring to prince st	94.97
H Wilson last payment builds Watch house in Prince st	875.
R Aryes do do filling at Bulkhead Chambers st	412.08
N Philip advertising for redemption of Assessmt	12.
Arthur Burtis supert alms House for works convicts	1000.
Arthur Burtis do do for Alms House	5000.
Mechanics Bank Bond 5000 & intt .75	5075.
	$19180.66

[375] Balance in the treasury $69.64

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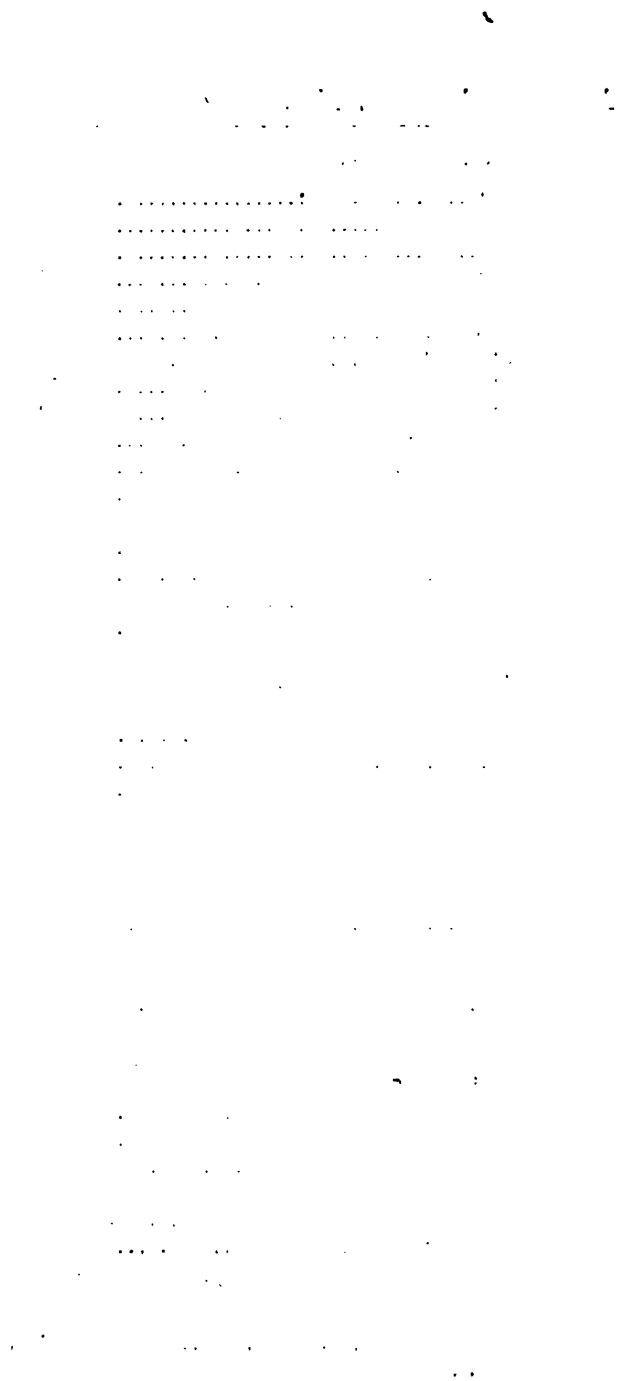

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